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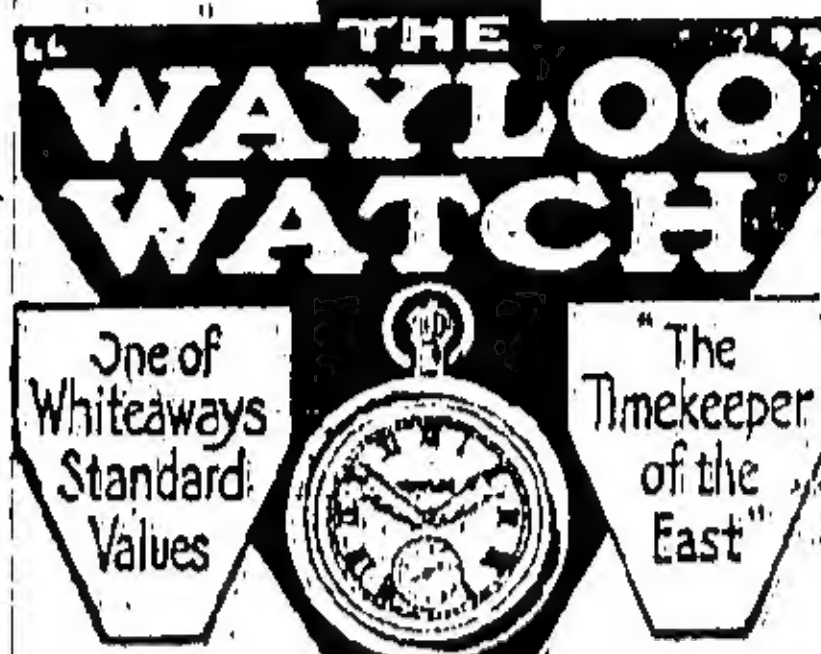
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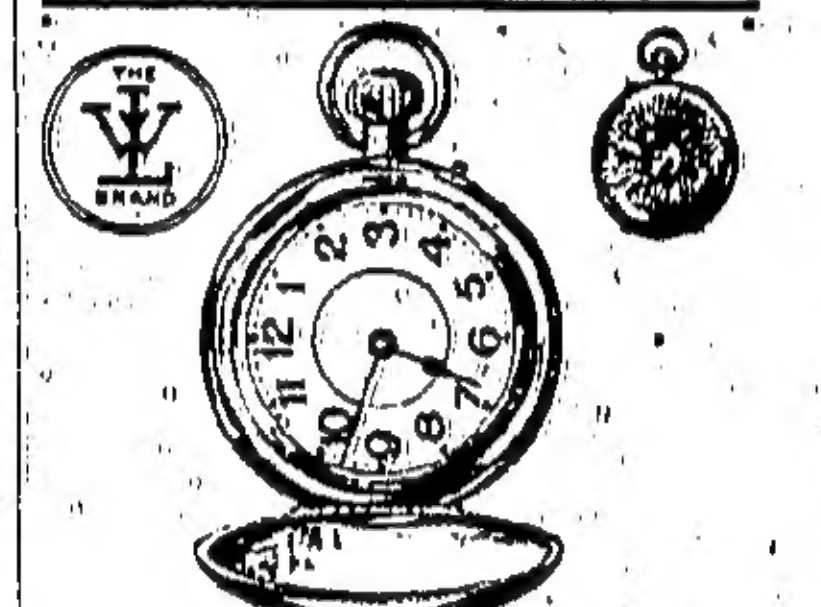


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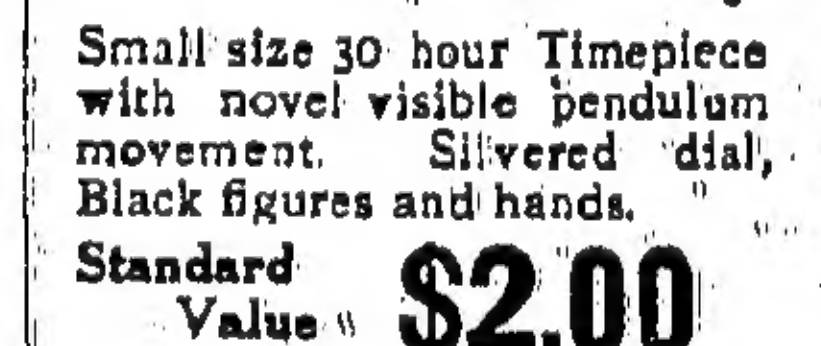
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"REDS" WIN. Extremists Seize Nationalist Party Machinery. HANKOW COUR. Communists Appointed to Many of the Ministries.

According to British naval wireless messages, the Extremists have seized the machinery of the Nationalist Party, and Communists have been appointed to many of the ministries.

"REDS" IN POWER.

Extremists Seize Government Machinery.

Wireless messages received at Shanghai and transmitted to the Hong Kong naval authorities report that "the Extremists have seized the machinery of the Nationalist Party and Communists have been appointed to many of the ministries."

Direct evidence is forthcoming in a Chinese cable of the assumption of power by the Nationalist politicians at Hankow.

This action, or decision, is the result of the Kuomintang conference which passed a series of resolutions (at Hankow) with considerable bearing on the executive authority of the Party and of the Government.

Seaman as Minister.
The cable referred to says that the Nationalist Government at Hankow has organised a number of new ministries, for which ministers have been appointed and that it is expected that the proper appointment will be made in a few days.

Among the nominations are those of Mr. So Shiu-ching to be Minister of Labour and Mr. Tam Ping-shan to be head of the Agriculture Ministry.

Mr. So was once connected with the Hong Kong Chinese Seamen's Union. He later became head of the Union in Canton. When the strike broke out in 1925 he became the chairman of the Strike Delegates Committee, the highest power in the Canton boycott and picket world.

"Violent" Communist.
Latterly he migrated to Hankow where he has continued his "extremist" activity in labour circles.

Mr. Tam Ping-shan is commonly known as one of the most violent of Communists, belonging to the clique of which Liao Chung-kai (who was assassinated in 1925) was the founder.

The proposals of these names alone, much more the actual appointments to come, tend to show that the Extremists are in power at Hankow and that they have come out with deliberate moves to assume the reins of government, in spite of what General Chang Kai-shek has said.

Choosing the Ministers.

Hankow, March 13.
To-day's session of the Plenary Conference of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee adopted resolutions creating five new Ministries for the Nationalist Government.

There will be Ministries for Labour, Education, Agriculture, Industry, and Health.

The last-named ministry (of Health) is to be created under a resolution proposed by Madame Sun Yat-sen.

The new Ministers will be chosen by the Political Council of the Kuomintang—"Canton Gazette."

EMPHATIC ANSWER.

Churchill and Shanghai Cost.

London, March 17.
In the House of Commons the question of British subjects at Shanghai contributing to the cost of the Defence Force, which was again raised at question-time, brought an emphatic answer from Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who had stated that patriotic offers of the British community at Shanghai during the war regarding income tax had been dropped on account of the constitutional issues involved.

Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) suggested that these patriots now be asked to contribute to the cost of the Defence Force.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer evoked Conservative cheers by replying "Certainly not," they are suffering more than any other class of British subjects.—Reuter.

"NOT ANOTHER KHARTOUM."

Better Too Many Than Too Few.

"Interference by the Socialist party has not made the matter any," said the Right Hon. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, at Epsom. "They seem to mistake themselves for the Government of the country. They

have chosen one particular Chinese leader and sent him messages, which he apparently returned. No one in this country has called out preparation aggressive, except certain wrong-headed Labour leaders, and Mr. Lloyd George, in a weak moment."

Mr. Lloyd George and those foolish leaders of the Socialist party, who had spoken as though Britain desired more territory or extended powers in China, knew perfectly well that what they were saying was absolutely untrue.

"All that the Socialist party can do," he went on, "is to invent some idiotic slogan. Their latest is 'Hands off China'. Who on earth has got their hands on China (laughter and cheers). The aggression of the lamb is the nearest thing I can find to parallel what is called the aggression of the British Government. We have got to defend our fellow-subjects in Shanghai somehow, and we can do so only by sending soldiers, sailors, or air-men. In a question of defence it is far better to send too many than too few. We do not want a repetition of Khartoum. If there is no danger there will be nobody more pleased or happy than the Government of this country. But if there were to be danger no one would forgive this or any other Government for not having taken the precautions which we have in fact taken." (Cheers.)

BIRDS OF A FEATHER.

A Hankow message "special to the Canton Gazette," states that Mr. Sun Fo, Minister of Communications, Mr. Hsu Chien, Minister of Justice, and Mr. M. Borodin, High Adviser to the Nationalist Government, spoke at a gigantic mass meeting held on March 12 in commemoration of the second anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Should Nanking Fall—
Should this line once be cut the Northern vanguard will be practically cut off by land from their home in Shantung.

It is because of the activity on these two sectors that there is little fighting on the front nearest to (and south of) Shanghai.

To cope with the relentless series of thrusts by the Southerners from their new base at Wuhu, the Northern warlords are stated to be preparing drastically to reduce their garrison at Shanghai so as to reinforce their strength at Nanking.

THE DUCHESS OF YORK.

Feeling The Benefit of Her Rest.

Rugby, March 17.
The Duchess of York has benefited greatly by her rest at Wellington, where she will remain until "Sunday" when in the "Renown" she will leave to proceed to Australia.

The Duke meanwhile is proceeding with his tour of the South Island and of New Zealand.—British Wireless Service.

ture of Shanghai (by the Southerners) must follow inevitably.

The Chinese Navy.
A wireless message received this morning by the local Naval authorities reads:—

Although the Chinese naval vessels at Shanghai have gone over to the Southerners, the Chinese squadron at Wosung is stated to have agreed to continue co-operating with Pi Shou-chen, the Commander of the Northern party's defence garrison at Shanghai, but has intimated that in the event of hostilities they may preserve "strict neutrality."

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Rev. Dr. J. P. Bruce's Plan for China.

London, March 17.
Local autonomy for the provinces, with power to elect Governors, vote taxes, control armies and the "Central Government, which is only assigned revenues from the Customs, Posts and Railways, was a plan suggested for a stable government for China by the Rev. Dr. J. P. Bruce, lecturer on Chinese language and literature at London University in a lecture to the Central Asian Society.

Dr. Bruce, who was for thirty-six years in China, declared there was an insufficient number of statesmanlike and experienced Chinese to form a large Parliament and suggested a Council, consisting of two from each province. Rehabilitation might be obtained by means of Western loans to the Central Government and provinces.—Reuter.

"The Pamiat Lenina."

Nanking, March 17.
Reuter has received from an authoritative Chinese source a written statement of the Chinese case for the seizure of the steamer "Pamiat Lenina."

The decision to search the ship at Nanking was made on reliable information that she was unlawfully engaged. It states that the search "more than justified suspicions," for "buried deep under approximately 160 tons of coal in the hold was a tremendous quantity of anti-foreign propaganda literature in the Chinese, Russian and English languages."

In "Diplomatic bags" in the custody of the "Diplomatic couriers" (who were travelling not under diplomatic passports as they should have been had they been diplomatic

LEAVING SHANGHAI?

Northern Vanguard Now Retreating.

CANTON'S CONTINUED ADVANCE.

Northern vanguards in the vicinity of Shanghai are to retreat, says a cable to the "Wah Tsz Yat Po."

Had it not been for the strike of workmen on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway (adds the message), some of Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's troops would have already left.

Military observers confirm the threat by the Cantonese on Nanking, capital of Kiangsu province and the main base of the Northern Army in the Shanghai, Taihu Lake and East Anhui sectors.

Just now the Nationalists are advancing rapidly on two of these sectors. One arm is closing on Nanking by following the Yangtze and another is striking northwards to endanger the railway line from Nanking to Peking.

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The Indian constable said defendant was driving down towards the Queen's Road East. Witness shouted to him to stop, but defendant only slowed down and witness had to run after the car. When he caught it up near No. 7 Station defendant said to him "You get out—fool nigger! What do you mean by stopping me like this. You can take my number and tell the Inspector."

Witness replied: "I can take you to the Inspector now that you are so near to the station."

Defendant only admitted the second part of the statement attributed to him.

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TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 1/11 7/16.

OFFICIAL SECRETS.

Former Naval Officer Charged.

AN "EXTREMELY GRAVE" CASE.

London, March 17.
Bow Street was crowded for the opening of a case which a detective described as being of "extreme gravity" relating to a retired naval lieutenant-commander, Colin Mayers, of Barrow-in-Furness, who is charged with an offence under the Official Secrets Act the exact nature of which is not disclosed.

The detective, speaking in a whisper, asked for a remand, as considerable technical evidence had to be examined.

Mayers's counsel asked for bail. He declared Mayers occupied a highly responsible position.

CITY FIRE.

Queen's Road Central Blaze.

A fire occurred on the first floor of No. 247 Queen's Road Central at 3.50 this morning. The firemen were early on the scene and tackled the flames before they could assume large proportions. By 4.30 the outbreak had been subdued and the engines were withdrawn. The cause of the fire has not yet been ascertained.

The police opposed bail, and the magistrate remanded Mayers in custody for a week.

According to the newspapers, Mayers was "born in British Guiana, served in the submarine section, and retired on his own request a few months ago to accept a position with a well-known armament firm."

The newspapers state that the charge relates to Submarines O1 and X1, the latter being the largest in the world.—Reuter.

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\$150 FINE.

Lance-Sergeant Loses Revolver.

"GROSS CARELESSNESS."

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, D.S.P., charged Lance-Sergeant Charles Findlay with violation of his position by losing his revolver and holster while on duty between 2 and 4.35 a.m., on March 16.

Defendant pleaded "guilty." Magistrate: Is that all you got to say?—Yes.

You have no explanation to offer as to how it was lost?

Defendant replied that he reported for duty at 2 a.m., and returned to Central Station at 3.40 for coffee. He unbuckled his belt then and buckled it on again at 3.45 when he once more paraded for duty. He went out with the Nos. 7 and 8 duties at 3.55. After leaving the station, he walked up Old Bailey to Caine Road where he discovered the loss of his revolver. He retraced his steps and made a search for the revolver. Not finding it, he reported the loss to the Inspector on duty at 4.35. All he could say was that he had the revolver when he buckled his belt on at the station.

In reply to His Worship, defendant said the only thing he could suggest was that the "holster strap gave away."

Magistrate: Do you think it possible that carrying a Service revolver like that you could have failed to notice that it had fallen off? I mean, the weight of it on your belt should have made you conscious of its presence or otherwise.

Mr. Wolfe read Inspector Spear's entry to the effect that defendant reported at 4.35 the loss of a revolver, six rounds of ammunition and a holster at 4.05 while on duty between Old Bailey, Caine Road and Elgin Street.

The Magistrate enquired why in the charge the time was given as between 2 and 4.35 a.m., and Mr. Wolfe explained that that was done to provide for the doubt as to whether or not His Worship would believe the defendant's statement that he had the revolver at the time he returned to the station for his 15 minutes' rest and coffee.

Questioned by the Magistrate as to the routine followed when going on duty, Mr. Wolfe said Europeans went on duty at different times from Indians and Chinese. The defendant's period of duty was six hours from 2 to 8 a.m. He was entitled to 15 minutes rest at the station, however, and after his coffee it was his duty to take out the Indians and Chinese of Nos. 7 and 8 duties. This was found, necessary as a matter of discipline because when the Indians and Chinese used to go out alone before they did so in a slovenly manner.

Mr. Wolfe added that in a statement to him defendant had said he placed the revolver in the holster, which was in order, and the belt strap was also in order, so that it seemed curious that it should have suddenly snapped. The defendant had his overcoat over the belt and revolver, and the contention was that the revolver slipped out in between.

At the Magistrate's request defendant's record was read as follows:—

Lance-Sergeant Charles Findlay arrived in Hong Kong on October 3, 1924, (so that he has done some 2 1/2 years' service). He holds one certificate for Cantonese, and was once reported for being absent from station duty and fined \$4. This was on January 25, 1927.

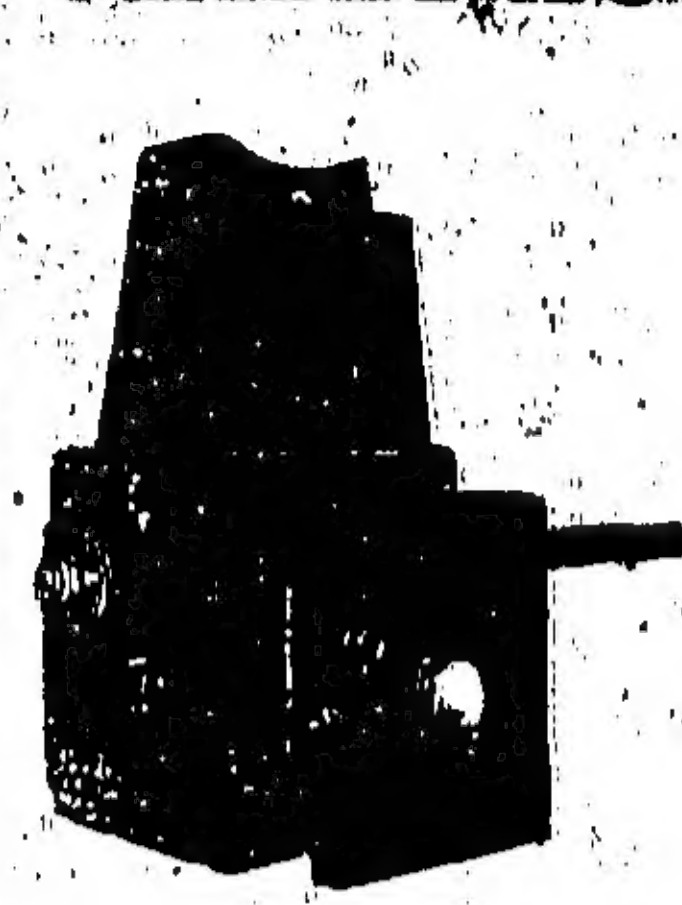
Addressing the defendant the Magistrate said that it was clear that if he did lose the revolver in the way he suggested, he was guilty of gross carelessness. The revolver weighed, at least two pounds and it was extremely incredible that it could have dropped unnoticed. A fine of \$150 or 6 weeks' jail was imposed.

Mr. Wolfe applied that an order be made for \$40 of the fine be credited to the Police Arms Vote. Magistrate: I don't think I have the power to do that. You will have to apply to the Government.

Members are reminded that the annual meeting of St. George's Society of Hong Kong is being held this evening at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. at 8.30.

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NOTICES.

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 28th March, 1927, at 5.30 p.m. to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926, and to elect Officers, etc.

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Humatico, from Tokyo.
Puderal, from Yokohama.
Tzeto, from Tientsin.
Lyon, from Shanghai.

E. V. JESSEN,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

12th Annual Sports Meeting on the University Ground, Pokfulam on Saturday, March 26th, 1927, 2.30 p.m.

POST ENTRY EVENTS:
1. Half Mile Race, open to the Colony (at about 4.30 p.m.)
2. Past Students' Race 220 yards Handicap (at about 4 p.m.)

N. P. KARANJIA,
Hon. Secretary,
Athletic Association,
Hong Kong, March 18th, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 26th March, 1927, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock NOON on SATURDAY, the 19th of March, 1927.

Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA RACE MEETINGS.

EXTRA MEETINGS have been fixed provisionally for the following dates:—

26th March.
16th and 18th April.
7th May.

4th and 6th June.
25th June.
8th and 10th October.
3th November.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 15th, 1927.

NOTICE.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL DINNER of the Association will take place on SATURDAY, the 9th April at 8 p.m. in the Hall of Queen's College.

Members desiring to attend are requested to communicate with the Hon. Treasurer, Chow Ping-un, Esq., c/o Assurance Franco-Asiatique, China Building.

By Order,
Queen's College Old Boys' Association,
C. G. ANDERSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Hong Kong Engineering & Construction Company, Limited, will be held in the Office of Messrs. Shaw, Tames & Co., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1927, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended on the 31st December, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 3th March, 1927.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road, Central Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd March, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd March, 1927, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG-SHAN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 23rd March, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th March, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th day of March, to MONDAY, the 28th day of March, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 38TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1927, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Please note as from 18th inst. our address will be:—
Queen's Building,
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DAVID BOAG & CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1927.

THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, 29th March, 1927, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 29th March, 1927 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918), LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The China Light & Power Co. (1918), Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the Thirtieth day of March, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon when the proposed Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification submitted by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the same place on THURSDAY, the Twenty-first day of April, 1927, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above mentioned meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the alterations, amendments and differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in red ink can be seen during usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

Dated the 12th day of March, 1927.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

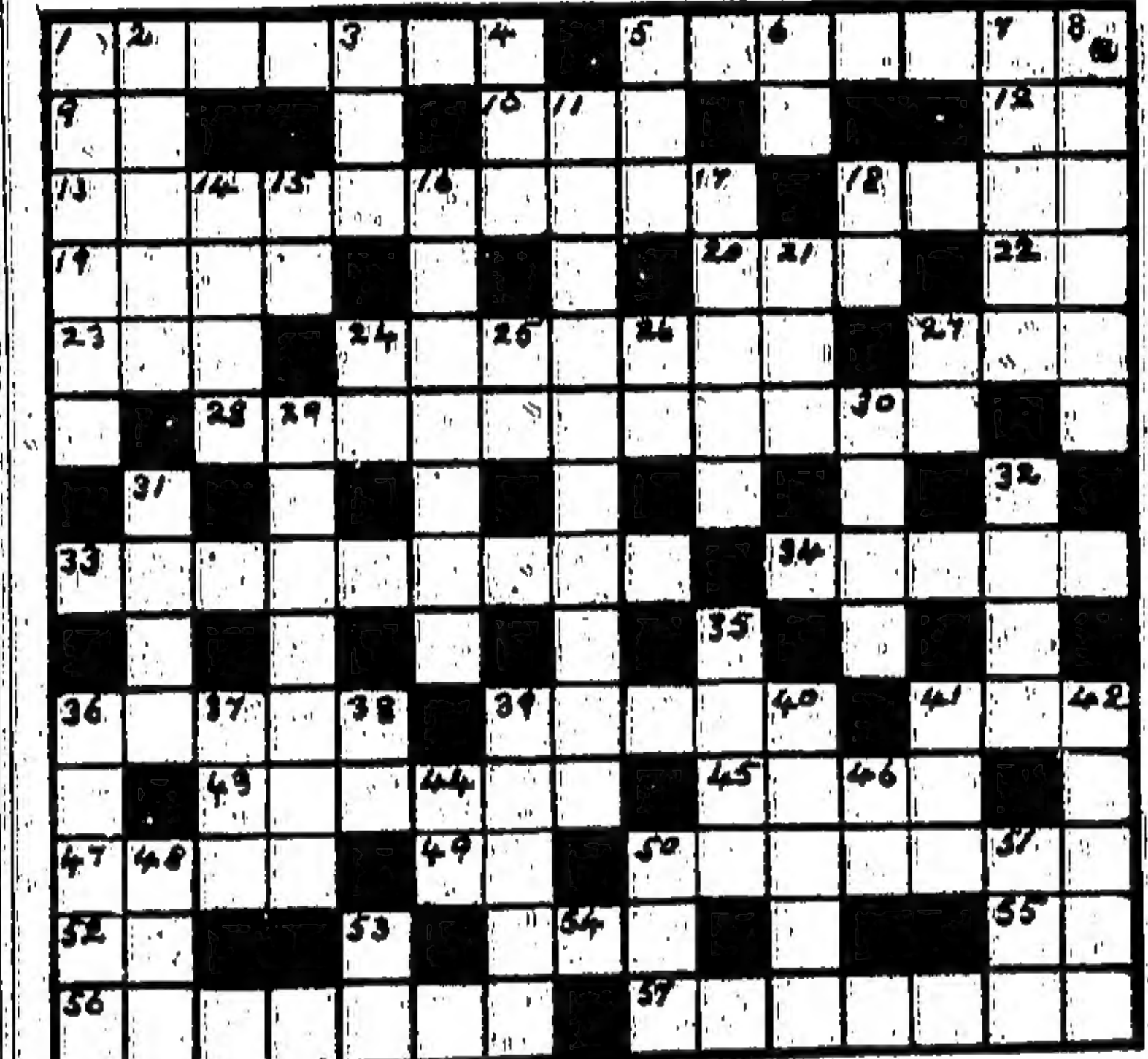
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

"CHINA MAIL" CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

NO 9—\$50 MUST BE WON

FIRST READ THESE RULES CAREFULLY THROUGH.

- The PRIZES in this competition are AWARDED STRICTLY on MERIT.
- Each solution sent in must be made on the coupon cut from the "China Mail." Any number of solutions may be sent in.
- An entry fee of fifty cents must accompany each coupon. Three entries, however, may be sent in together for one dollar. Letters sent through the post must not contain coins as they will not be delivered by the Post Office.
- No entry will be considered under any circumstances whatsoever, unless entry money for each solution is enclosed.
- Entries must reach the office of the "China Mail" not later than the time and date for closing announced on the coupon.
- No responsibility is accepted for loss or delay in the post. All letters should be registered and/or sealed.
- The prize of \$50 must be won and will be awarded for an all correct or nearest correct solution. In the event of ties the \$50 will be divided. No competitor may win more than one share of the prize in each competition.
- The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
- The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
- Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
- Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
- All letters must be addressed, "China Mail" Cross-words, c/o "China Mail" Office, No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.
- No member of the staff of the "China Mail" will be allowed to compete.
- Solutions are held under sealed cover and in no way will be opened until the close of the competition.



[In the above puzzle it will be readily apparent that No. 54 across should be in the preceding square.]

To "China Mail" Cross-Words,
c/o "China Mail" Office,
No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.

DEAR SIR,

I agree to abide by your rules, and I enclose.....

for..... solution (s) which are attached.

Name.....

Address.....

[Please Write in Block Letters.]

CLOSING DATE FOR COUPONS, MONDAY, MAR. 21

[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

- | Clues Across. | Clues Down. |
|---|--|
| 1. Causing hurt. | 1. Exactness of treatment. |
| 2. A figure with nine angles. | 2. Second of two. |
| 3. The thing spoken of (pron.) | 3. The grampus. |
| 4. OMO (actual). | 4. Male child. |
| 5. A Memphis god. | 5. Abbreviation for "Numbers." |
| 6. Excellence. | 6. Word of denial. |
| 7. A quiet talk. | 7. To deliver a public speech. |
| 8. Long fish. | 8. The power of growth. |
| 9. A small but strong horse. | 9. In a condition in which dimensions are ascertainable. |
| 10. TU (actual). | 10. OMO (actual). |
| 11. Profax meaning "Thrice." | 11. Present of "Be." |
| 12. An officer who takes charge of cattle's gelded. | 12. Covers over with gold. |
| 13. By means of. | 13. A cake made on a griddle. |
| 14. Quality of being most evident. | 14. Confined to barracks (abbrev.) |
| 15. Relating to guardianship. | 15. Metal in natural state. |
| 16. To make a harsh noise. | 16. A V (actual). |
| 17. Gateway to an Egyptian temple. | 17. An exclamation of triumph. |
| 18. A dangerous sore. | 18. Theosophical Society (abbrev.) |
| 19. Showed the way. | 19. P S (actual). |
| 20. To enclose in a case. | 20. Dress fasteners. |
| 21. Ratio or proportion. | 21. Secure. |
| 22. Electrolyte components. | 22. Tax on goods. |
| 23. Thank you! | 23. Excellent. |
| 24. Full of hatred on account of another's success. | 24. An aquatic fowl. |
| 25. Stretcher-bearer (abbrev.) | 25. A triangular shaped body of solid glass. |
| 26. A firearm. | 26. LIN (actual). |
| 27. S E (actual). | 27. Northern Counties (abbrev.) |
| 28. A miscalculation. | 28. Practice or custom. |
| 29. Plays with. | 29. A crow. |
| | 30. Fifth sign of the zodiac. |
| | 31. Portions of medicine. |
| | 32. Denotes presence. |
| | 33. A South Pacific tree. |
| | 34. A Japanese lady's snail. |
| | 35. The furthestmost point of anything. |
| | 36. Practice or employment. |
| | 37. Mother. |

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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KAMO MARU Saturday, 9th April.

KATORI MARU Saturday, 22nd April.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

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AKI MARU Wednesday, 20th April.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

TAKETOYO MARU Saturday, 26th March.

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LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.

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HAKATA MARU Saturday, 23th March.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.

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NAGANO MARU Sunday, 20th March.

GENOA MARU Sunday, 27th March.

RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

TOMIURA MARU Friday, 25th March.

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MISHIMA MARU Saturday, 23rd April.

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SHIPPING SECTION.**SIX PETITIONS**

LOCAL BOAT DETENTION CANTON

The sixth petition is reported to have been submitted to the Nationalist authorities for the release of the local small steamer "Ng Tai Chow" (Chinese flag) which was seized by the Canton Navy on grounds of alleged arms smuggling, but without success.

This boat ran the strike pickets' cordon during the boycott and plied between Hong Kong and the Sze Yap districts, via Ma-lau-chau, outside Macao.

SHIP "FOUND."

"LIMCHOW" BEING TOWED TO HAIPHONG.

After leaving Hong Kong for Haiphong, the Chinese s.s. "Limchow" signalled by wireless that her propeller was damaged and that she was adrift.

A series of efforts were made to locate the vessel. Yesterday it was learned that the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co.'s tug "Heary Kowick" which had responded to the distress call, had found the ship in North Channel, and was then towing her to Haiphong.

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S.S. "KO CHOW"

IN DOCK FOR ANNUAL OVERHAUL

On her down trip from Wuchow, the British river steamer "Ko Chow" grounded in shallow water and was delayed for some time. She has now reached Hong Kong and gone into dock, not because repairs are necessary, but for the annual overhaul.

AUSTRALIAN CRUISERS.

10,000-Ton Vessel Launched At Clydebank.

London, March 17. The Australian cruiser "Australia" has been launched at Clydebank as the first of two 10,000-ton cruisers provided by the Australian naval programme. The other cruiser, the "Canberra," is also being constructed at Clydebank-Reuter.

SHIPS IN PORT.

This morning there were 64 ocean-going merchant vessels in Hong Kong harbour of which 26 fly the British flag. During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day there were 13 arrivals (6 British) and 17 departures (7 British).

HARBOUR OFFENCE.

For dredging the harbour bed of the Naval Anchorage, without permission, the mistress of a fishing junk was fined \$7 at the Marine Court this morning.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "General Metzinger" are reminded that claims must be sent to the Agent before March 26 or they will not be recognised.

GROUNDING IN FOG.

SMALL BOATS UNLUCKY FLIGHT.

TOWING ROPE SNAPE.

The Hong Kong-Shanghai s.s. "Cheung On" has been unlucky enough to be damaged a second time through running aground outside Lyemun during the recent fog.

The hull was slightly damaged through contact with rocks on the sea-bed. Then the wire-rope of a small tug snapped just as the little steamer was being floated off and she sustained further damage.

The "Cheung On" will now have to be docked for some days and the repairs will cost a considerable sum.

This boat stopped running for a good many months during the boycott.

ECHO OF THE "LAURENTIC"

The Admiralty have decided to dispose of their salvage steamer "Racer," which after a distinguished career as a sloop in various parts of the world, won renown for herself by salvaging nearly 45,000,000 of gold from the wreck of H.M. auxiliary cruiser "Laurentic," sunk by enemy action off Fannat Head, Lough Swilly, on 25th January, 1917.

It is interesting to note that after a not undistinguished naval career she had a narrow escape of being broken up under Lord Fisher's famous scrapping order, but there was still work for the "Racer" to do, and in 1917 she was overhauled and fitted out as a salvage steamer. Re-engined with the starboard engine of an old torpedo boat, fitted with two 17-ton derricks and powerful pumps, her service in salvaging was no less distinguished than it had been in destroying, and infinitely more profitable. Her record in salvaging the "Laurentic's" gold was a magnificent piece of work, but the story is too fresh in the minds of everyone to require recapitulation.

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| EMPEROR OF ASIA | May 11 | May 14 | May 17 | May 20 | May 29 |
| EMPEROR OF CANADA | June 1 | June 4 | June 7 | June 10 | June 19 |
| EMPEROR OF RUSSIA | June 22 | June 25 | June 28 | July 1 | July 10 |
| EMPEROR OF ASIA | July 11 | July 14 | July 17 | July 20 | July 29 |
| EMPEROR OF CANADA | Aug. 1 | Aug. 4 | Aug. 7 | Aug. 10 | Aug. 19 |
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HAWAII MARU Friday, 8th April.

LA PLATA MARU Thursday, 5th May.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

SUMATRA MARU Sunday, 3rd April.

HONOLULU MARU Tuesday, 19th April.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

CANADA MARU Friday, 18th March.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

BINGO MARU Sunday, 27th March.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.

ARIZONA MARU Saturday, 26th March.

HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.

MENADO MARU Friday, 18th March, 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

ARGON MARU (From Shanghai) Friday, 16th April.

JAPAN PORTS

SOURABAYA MARU Friday, 25th March.

ANDES MARU Wednesday, 13th April.

KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.

TAIYO MARU Friday, 18th March, 8 a.m.

KATSU MARU Sunday, 20th March, 10 a.m.

KOTSU MARU Thursday, 24th March, 8 a.m.

HOZAN MARU Sunday, 27th March, 10 a.m.

TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

SOURABAYA MARU (direct to Takao) Friday, 25th March.

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| | Departure | Saturday | March 19 | 5 a.m. |
| SEMPORNA | Arrival | Saturday | March 19 | 11 a.m. |
| | Departure | Sunday | March 20 | 5 a.m. |
| LAHAD DATU | Arrival | Sunday | March 20 | 8 a.m. |
| | Departure | Sunday | March 20 | 5 p.m. |
| JAMBONGAN | Arrival | Monday | March 21 | 5 p.m. |
| | Departure | Wednesday | March 23 | 6 a.m. |
| SANDAKAN | Arrival | Wednesday | March 23 | 2 p.m. |
| | Departure | Saturday | March 26 | 5 a.m. |
| JESSELTON | Arrival | Sunday | March 27 | 9 a.m. |
| | Departure | Sunday | March 27 | 4 p.m. |
| HONG KONG | Arrival | Friday | April 1 | 6 a.m. |

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|------------|---------|---------------|--|
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| MACE DONIA | 10,120 | 2nd April | Marseilles & London |
| DELTA | 8,155 | 10th April | Marseilles, London, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull |
| DEVANHA | 8,155 | 18th April | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull |
| DELTA | 8,155 | 27th April | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way |
| MALWA | 10,341 | 30th April | Marseilles & London |
| NELLORE | 8,155 | 11th May | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way |
| KHIVA | 9,135 | 14th May | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| NYANZA | 7,023 | 25th May | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| MOREA | 10,918 | 28th May | Marseilles & London |
| KASHMIR | 9,065 | 11th June | Marseilles & London |
| MANUVA | 10,902 | 25th June | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| KALYAN | 9,144 | 30th June | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| MACE DONIA | 11,120 | 23rd July | Marseilles & London |

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| TAKADA | 6,949 | 28th March | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
|--------|--------|------------|------------------------------|
| JANUS | 4,824 | 10th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 16th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

| | | | |
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| * ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 1st April | Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 29th April | Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, & |
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| | | | |
|---------|--------|------------|------------------------------|
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| TILAWA | 10,000 | 22nd March | Kobe |
| TEESTA | 6,296 | 24th March | Moji & Kobe |
| LAHORE | 6,282 | 24th March | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| MALWA | 10,340 | 1st April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| DELTA | 8,155 | 1st April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 14th April | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |
| JEYPORE | 7,348 | 12th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| NELLORE | 8,155 | 16th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| KHIVA | 9,135 | 16th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| NYANZA | 7,023 | 29th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| MOREA | 10,918 | 29th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| TANDA | 6,956 | 8th May | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |

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2 WEEKS' REPAIRS?

"EMPERESS OF CANADA"
DAMAGE.

ARRIVES THIS MORNING.

The s.s. "Empress of Canada," which was involved in a collision with a Japanese collier when entering Shanghai on her southwards trip, arrived in Hong Kong this morning and proceeded to Taikoo where a survey will be made of the damage to her bows.

The damage, although not so considerable as was first thought, will necessitate a two weeks' overhaul, it is thought. The exact extent of it, it is not possible to give until the survey is completed.

So far as can be gathered, the "Canada" may leave later for the Manila voyage or it is just possible that she may leave Hong Kong direct for the North (possibly about the 30th inst.).

H.M.S. "YARMOUTH."

SAILORS AS FILM ACTORS.

CORONEL BATTLE SCENES.

Portsmouth.—A battery of camera men, who had been prevented by rough weather from landing on the Nab Tower, "shot" Coronel battle scenes as best they could from a tug which rocked unceasingly at anchor in the vicinity of the famous mystery tower which replaced the old Lightship off Spithead.

The cruiser "Yarmouth," which is preparing to leave for China (and is now on the way out) was out on steam trials, and as she is the sister ship to the "Glasgow," which took part in the Coronel battle in 1914, the Admiralty allowed British Instructional Films to take the opportunity to make a section of the film reconstructing the Coronel and Falklands naval engagements which they are producing.

Sighting the Enemy. The scenes taken showed how the "Glasgow" sighted the enemy and engaged him at Coronel. Sailors became film stars for a while, and played war scenes with a zest that neither bitter winds nor rough seas could lessen. Gladly they painted their faces with a pinkish colour, served out to them by the producer, before facing the camera.

When the action began depth charges exploded near the "Yarmouth" and shells burst along her sides and in the ship. All, of course, were dummies, but they produced a very realistic effect, which was the object of the photographers, wrestling with sea-sickness, to record.

Other scenes were shot in the "Yarmouth." A signalman came down from the bridge reporting that the enemy had been sighted.

Novelty for the Sailors. While the mock battle was at its height luck came to the help of the producer, Mr. Sumner. A flotilla of destroyers, with grey seas jumping all about them, steamed by in the distance, and this gave the producer an enemy fleet to work into the picture.

Film acting was a novelty which the sailors seemed to enjoy. Although there had been no rehearsing they were quick to see what was required and they did it efficiently.

In a few weeks' time many of the sailors who were film acting to-day may be chasing pirates in gunboats up the Chinese rivers. Some parts of the film are to be made in the Scilly Islands and others in the Mediterranean, for which purpose the Admiralty are lending ships. Some of these will be destroyers camouflaged to represent German light cruisers.

BRITISH YACHT BURNED.

A telegram from Nice announces that the British yacht "Venture" took fire suddenly near the island of St. Honorat, and was completely destroyed. The four persons on board, Mr. and Mrs. Robb, a guest, and a sailor, were able to save themselves by putting off in the yacht's boat. The yacht was proceeding towards Monaco, and was within a mile and half of the island when the fire was discovered. It was observed by a visitor to the chateau on the island, who, by shouts and signals, attracted the attention of the "Chantecler III," which was in the vicinity. This vessel took the burning yacht in tow to the chateau, where it burned itself out.

MYSTERY OF A WRECK.

The master, Captain Pearson, and four of the crew of the coastal collier "Galava" have drifted ashore in life-belts on the New South Wales coast in an exhausted condition, having been nine hours in the water. Capt. Pearson states that four miles off the coast the ship suddenly heeled over at one o'clock in the morning and sank in a minute. There was no time to launch a boat. There was only a moderate sea at the time, and he could not explain the occurrence. Several of the crew are still missing.

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| T'au via Swatow & S'hai | HONGSANG | Sun., 27th Mar. at 7 a.m. |
| T'au via Swatow & S'hai | KWONGSANG | Wed., 30th Mar. at 7 a.m. |
| Osaka via Moji & Kobe | SUISANG | Sat., 2nd April at 7 a.m. |
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ARRIVALS.

Saloon passengers arrived at Hong Kong on March 18 on the "Empress of Canada" from Vancouver via Shanghai were:—Mr. N. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Clarke, Mrs. H. Fawcett, Mr. J. E. Joseph, Mr. J. H. Little, Mr. G. E. Wood, Mr. J. Hunter, Mr. D. Hunter, Miss J. C. R. Hunter, Mr. J. McMahon, Mr. L. Millman, Mr. L. C. Robinson, Mrs. M. J. Sullivan, Mr. R. C. M. M. Sullivan, Mr. W. E. Thommen, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Buyers, Mr. A. Strick, Mr. F. Strahan, Mr. M. H. Tang, Mr. Liang Kai-yun, Mr. Liang K'ze, Mr. I. P. Lin, Mr. Y. M. Ling, Mr. F. De M. Gherin, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Su, Major H. Taylor, Mr. C. H. Hsu, Mr. K. C. Nam, Mr. John M. Schmitz, Mr. C. P. Lowen.

Through saloon passengers for Manila, landed at Hong Kong were:—Mr. W. G. and Mrs. Howe, Mr. J. Silverthorne, Mr. C. H. Buxbaum, Mr. D. F. Morrison, Mr. E. Hilton, Mrs. F. M. Colbourne, Mr. H. B. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. L. Nelson and infant.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Mongolia" left Shanghai for this port on March 15, at 3.30 p.m., and is due here to-day.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" was due at Lympun at 11 p.m. last night, and was berthed off Taikoo Dock; dry-docking at 7 this morning. She will not sail for Manila until after repairs have been completed.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Canada Maru" will sail to-day for East African ports via Singapore and Colombo.

The P. & O. s.s. "Devanha" left Singapore for this port on March 15, at 6 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on March 20, at about 6 a.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Janita" left Singapore for this port on March 18, p.m., and is due here on March 23, p.m.

WATER SUPPLY.

Levelling and Storage of water in Reservoirs on March 1, 1927:—

| CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL. | 1926 | 1927 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Tytam | 39' 9" B. | 14' 9" B. |
| Tytam Byewash | 25' 1" B. | 28' 2" B. |
| Tytam Intermediate | 38' 11" B. | 20' 4" B. |
| Tytam Tuk | 39' 10" B. | 25' 10" B. |
| Wong Nei Chung | 28' 3" B. | 19' 1" B. |
| Pokfulum | 19' 3" B. | 20' 4" B. |

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow."]

A denotes "Above Overflow."

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|-------|--------|----------|
| Total | 888.02 | 1,270.08 |

Consumption of water in the City and Hill Districts during the month of February:—

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|-------------|--------|--------|
| Consumption | 184.49 | 191.88 |

Estimated population 349,020 400,340

per day (gallons) 15.5 16.7

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Full Supply in all Rides Main Districts during February, 1927.

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KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Kowloon Reservoir | 26' 4" B. | 15' 7" B. |

Shok Lai Pui Reservoir 25' 2" B. 10' 2" B.

Reception Reservoir 8' 4" B.

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Kowloon Reservoir | 134.48 | 210.05 |

Shok Lai Pui Reservoir 15.5 22.12

Reception Reservoir 24.35

Total 154.16 252.74

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February:

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|-------------|-------|-------|
| Consumption | 59.41 | 64.94 |

Estimated population 168,940 168,980

per day (gallons) 13.7 14.5

Full Supply in all districts during February, 1927.

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First rainfall in February 25, 1927, 1.59, February 26, 1927, 1.58.

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| Apr. 12 | San Francisco | Ami-ville | May 17 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| Apr. 19 | Seattle | Gov. Washington | May 18 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| Apr. 26 | San Francisco | Requillo | May 18 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| May 3 | Seattle | Ami-ville | May 31 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| May 10 | San Francisco | Ami-ville | June 11 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| May 17 | Seattle | Gov. Washington | June 15 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| May 24 | San Francisco | Requillo | June 25 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| June 1 | Seattle | Ami-ville | July 0 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |
| June 8 | San Francisco | Requillo | July 0 | C'burg-S'mp'tn |

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FILMS AS BONDS OF EMPIRE.

The greatness of British indus-
try and commerce having been
built up without the aid of State
subsidy, direct or indirect, any
attempt to foster an undertaking
by granting it special privileges
is naturally viewed with dis-
favour. There is one British
industry, however, which public
opinion will agree deserves the
fullest support. This is the film
industry.

Ordinarily, as we say, the Brit-
ish practice is to leave an indus-
try to fend for itself, with the
result that once established, its
basis is the soundest basis that
any industry can have—the basis
of solid merit. There is no need
to emphasize the wisdom of this
policy: it is to be seen in the
greatness of our mercantile mar-
ine and the ability with which
it weathers difficulties that in-
volve the taxpayers of other
countries in millions.

The film industry, however, is
in need of help through no fault
of its own. Before the war 25 per-
cent. of the films shown in Britain
were British; but during the war
British progress in the industry
came to a standstill, and it was
then that American competitors
forged ahead until they secured
their present supremacy in the
British market as well as in all
other parts of the world.

If this were the only reason
that could be advanced for assist-
ing the British film industry there
would be no case for granting
special privileges, since there
are other industries that suffer-
ed severely through the war. But
the British film industry has more
than a mere trading importance.
The cinema can be made a bond
of empire little less strong than
any now existing between the
commonwealth of nations.

This is fully realised by the
authorities at home and in the
Dominions. One of the first
actions of the Imperial Con-
ference last autumn was to pass a
resolution, couched in "the strong-
est language," emphasizing the
necessity of securing the greater
production and wider distribution
of British films, the cinema being
the most universal medium to-day
through which national ideas and
atmosphere can be spread.

The Bill now before Parliament
contains the measures considered
by the Imperial Conference, and
when it becomes law, cinemas in
the Home Islands will be compelled
to show a certain percentage of Bri-
tish films. This percentage has
been kept low deliberately because
the Government appreciates the
importance of competition among
British producers, and, seemingly,
is anxious that merit should play
its appointed part in developing
the industry.

The vital need of developing
the industry to its fullest extent
has already been mentioned. The
President of the Board of Trade
pointed out in the House of Com-
mons that the strongest bonds of
empire are a common outlook, the
same ideas, and the same ideals as
typified by a common language
and a common literature. The
cinema is fast becoming the litera-
ture of the masses, if it is not
that already, and it must, as a
consequence, be made as British
as the very language we talk.

A Deserved Rebuke.

In their attitude to the Chinese
situation the Labour Party at
Home are riding for a fall—if it
is possible for the Opposition to
do so. So far as mere words are
concerned they met with their de-
serts in the House of Commons
being severely trounced by two
Conservative members. One of
these, Mr. R. Mitchell Banks, got
home a very telling point when
he envisaged the Labour Party
cabling their congratulations to
the Indian leaders during the
Mutiny. The idea is not so far-
fetched as it looks. Anything is
possible with Labour extremists
who have openly taken sides with
one of the belligerents in the
Chinese civil war, thus playing
into the hands of the Bolsheviks.
It is a pity that the sordid game
of politics is responsible for so
much that is harmful to the Em-
pire. Mr. Banks also scored again
when he stated that it was not
Mr. Eugene Chen but the British
mill owners who had improved the
lot of Chinese workers, and that
if Mr. Chen wanted to improve
them let him begin with the Chi-
nese mills. This is an aspect of
affairs in China that the Labour-
ites are careful to leave alone in
their diatribes against the Gov-
ernment's policy. The only thing
to be thankful for at the moment
is that the Labourites are in
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Government's policy of protecting
"British nationals" as a funda-
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TREVOR CASE.

OUTCOME OF YESTERDAY'S RE-HEARING.

SENTENCE PARTLY MODIFIED.

As mentioned briefly in yester-
day's "China Mail," Major Willson
yesterday afternoon reopened the
case in which Ernest Trevor was
convicted on March 8 on two counts
of theft from guests of the Glenelg
Hotel and sentenced to one month's
hard labour on each charge. The
sentence to run concurrently. On
another charge of possession of a
pistol without a licence he was
fined \$50 or in default a further
month's jail.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ who appeared
for the prisoner yesterday after-
noon said at the outset that on the
evidence produced before His Wor-
ship at the previous hearing, there
was not the least doubt that the
Magistrate was bound to convict.
All he was asking for was that His
Worship reconsider the sentence.
Counsel said prisoner had no crim-
inal intention in taking the things
and as a matter of fact was not
aware that he was committing a
theft in law. He said he had in-
terviewed Trevor in prison and had
been impressed by him and he
thought that if Trevor was permit-
ted to go into the witness box and
make a statement it would bear
more weight than anything which
Counsel himself could say in his
behalf.

In the witness box Trevor who
stated that he was a salesman, said
that he had absolutely no idea or in-
tention to steal. He took the articles
from Haynes' room as security for
money due to him by Haynes—
money which he had earned. He
had got nearly all the advertise-
ments for the "Hong Kong Ladies'
Weekly" and was only paid \$8 for
his trouble. He had asked Haynes
time and again for the money due
him, but without success, and eventu-
ally he decided to take some of
Haynes' stuff to ensure payment.

As regards the article belonging
to Madame Gaudier, Trevor stat-
ed that he thought the room
where Madame Gaudier lived
belonged to Haynes. He saw a few
pairs of men's socks, a few ties, and
accordingly took them.

Detective Inspector Murphy:
Your intention was to leave the
Colony on February 27?—Yes, that
was part of my work. I intended
to return.

You state that you took Mr.
Haynes' property as security. Did
you let Haynes know about it?
No, I saw Haynes, practically every
day, and asked for the money due
to me, but did not get it. I intend-
ed to treat the matter as a joke and
give him the things back when I
got the money.

When Mr. Haynes told you that
he had some shifts stolen, did you
not say you were very sorry for
him?—He mentioned the matter
in the King Edward Hotel Bar and
I could not tell him anything there
as the place was crowded.

Addressing his Worship, Inspec-
tor Murphy said that Trevor, in
applying for a permit for the re-
volver, had stated that he was a
single man but he (the Inspector)
saw from a report in the "Sunday
Herald" that defendant was mar-
ried. Inspector Murphy added:
"I am of the opinion that Trevor
got off very lightly for the offence
he committed."

Mr. Russ: I have the greatest
admiration for the Police, but this
is rather an extraordinary way of
going on—this is going too far.
I have never heard of Police officers
dictating to a Magistrate before.
I cannot account for the unusual
case of the Officer in charge of this
case.

Proceeding to address the court
in prisoner's behalf, Mr. Russ said
that having heard Trevor in the wit-
ness box he thought His Worship
would be satisfied that whatever
foolish things he might have done
he had been sufficiently punished by
serving part of his sentence in jail.

His Worship: I expressed the
opinion in the hearing the other
day that the charges have been
proved against the defendant, and
I see no reason to alter my view.
Apparently he had a good claim on
Mr. Haynes, but the law does not
permit a creditor to take another
person's property to protect himself
the way prisoner did.

His Worship, however, decided to
alter the previous sentence by
directing that the two terms of im-
prisonment for larceny run con-
currently, which means that Trevor
has to serve only one month. The
sentence for possession of arms
must stand.

NEW PUISNE JUDGE.

SOLICITORS CONGRATULATE MR. JACK.

At the weekly fixing of Sum-
mary Court cases this morning be-
fore Mr. P. Jacks, acting Puisne
Judge, Mr. C. A. S. Russ said
that as senior member so far as
years were concerned he had been
asked by members of the profes-
sion to express the appreciation
they felt on seeing Mr. Jacks sit-
ting on the Bench and to assure
him that he had the hearty co-
operation of every member of the
profession who might appear
before him.

In reply Mr. Jacks thanked Mr.
Russ and the members of the pro-
fession for their good wishes and
said that he was no stranger to
most of them. His relations had
always been of the happiest. He
frustrated that they would continue
so whilst he had the honour of
presiding in that Court.

H.K.V.D.C.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS FOR THE WEEK.

MORE RECRUITS JOIN.

Nine more recruits have joined
the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence
Corps and the words "No. 4 Platoon
(Portuguese Company)" appear in
the orders for the first time.

Orders for the week, issued to-
day, are:—

Recruits Parade.

On Tuesday all recruits of the
Corps will parade at Headquarters
at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: Muff, rifle and bayonet.

Signal Chas.

On Thursday at Headquarters at
6.30 p.m. under 2/Lieut. M. G. Noll,
O.C.'s Units will detail men whom
they wish trained as signallers to
attend and submit a list of names
of same to Headquarters.

Mounted Infantry.

There will be a tactical ride in
the Fanling district conducted by
2/Lieut. H. C. Macnamara. Those
wishing to attend should leave Kow-
loon by the 9.15 a.m. train. This
is the last opportunity for riding in
the New Territories before the
ponies are brought in to Hong Kong
on March 23.

Dress: Plain clothes. Rifles will
not be carried. Compasses, binocu-
lars and note books should be
brought if in possession.

Those wishing to lunch at the
"Hunters' Arms" should inform
2/Lieut. Macnamara by Thursday
noon, at the latest.

Armoured Car.

On Wednesday, March 23 special
class of Machine Gun instruction
under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock at
5.30 p.m. for all members of the
Mobile Column. A good attend-
ance is specially requested.

All members of the Motor Cycle
Section who can turn out in connec-
tion with the Kirkpatrick scheme
will parade at Blake Pier this Sun-
day at 9.15 a.m. with motor cycles.
Dress: Muff. All who can attend
notify 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock im-
mediately.

Scottish Company.

Musketry Part I will be fired this
Sunday at Stonecutters.

Range Officer: Lieut. K. S.
Morrison.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at
9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at
9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or muff optional.
But rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces
and belts must be taken. Part I
must be fired in drill order whether
over uniform or muff.

Arms: Must be drawn from
Headquarters on Friday, and on
Saturday between 9 a.m. and 1
p.m.

In order to facilitate entries for
Corps Rifle meeting on April 17 and
18, it is hoped as many members
as possible of the Company will
avail themselves of this opportunity
of shooting.

Future Programme.

A course on the Vickers Gun will be held every
Thursday at Headquarters, com-
mencing at 5.30 p.m. and a full at-
tendance at such parade is solicited.

Thursday, March 24, at 5.30 p.m.:
No. 5 (Talook Platoon) will parade
at Talook for musketry. No. 6
(Kowloon Platoon) will parade at
Kowloon Docks for musketry. No.
7 (City Platoon) will parade at
Headquarters for Vickers Gun.
Dress for all platoons: Muff, rifle
and bayonet.

Infantry Company.

No. 4 Platoon (Portuguese Com-
pany): The miniature range at
Headquarters is at the disposal of
this Platoon on Tuesday at 5.30
p.m.

Musketry Part I will be fired by
the Company on Sunday, March 27,
at Stonecutters and Peak Ranges.

Arms may be drawn from Corps
Headquarters, between the follow-
ing hours:—Friday, March 25: 9
a.m. and 12 noon, 2 and 4 p.m. or
5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday,
March 26: between 9 a.m. and 1
p.m.

Stonecutters Range: Launch
leaves Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and
call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Range Officer: Lieut. E. J. R.
Mitchell.

Peak Range: Firing will com-
mence at 9.20 a.m.—last tram up 9
a.m. Range Officer: 2/Lieut. H.
Owen Hughes.

Dress for both ranges: Muff or
uniform optional but belts, braces
and pouches must be taken in ad-
ditional to rifle and bayonet.

Strength.

The following recruits are posted
as follow:—

No. 4 Platoon: Ptes. H. A. B.
Botelho, R. G. Xavier, A. J. V.
Ribeiro, L. A. Rosario, H. C.
Remedios, P. M. Baptista.

Reserves Co.: Pte. F. D. Leonard.
No. 8 Platoon: Pte. D. L. Stewart.
No. 1 Platoon: Pte. E. F. Brown.

Promotions.

Artillery Co.: Sgt. C. W. Langley
to be Quartermaster, Sergeant.
Armoured Car Co.: Pte. R. K.
Valentine to be Corporal; Ptes.
T. W. Southam, F. N. Doodha to be
Lance-Corporals.

Kowloon Scottish Platoon: Corp.
G. H. Cuthill to be Sergeant.

The appointments in the last
"Gazette" are repeated in the
orders.

Transfer.

Pte. J. H. M. Andrew is trans-
ferred from the Mounted Infantry
Co. to No. 1 Platoon (Infantry Co.).

Reversion.

Corp. W. C. Clark, Armoured

ST. GEORGE'S.

REPORT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING.

RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURE.

For presentation at the tenth an-
nual general meeting (to-day), the
report of the committee of the
Society of St. George, Hong Kong
(for the year ended Dec. 31, 1926)
reads:—

The cash balance in hand stands
at \$626.54 and in addition, the sum
of \$5,000 is on fixed deposit.

During the year numerous calls
have been made on the Society for
assistance and grants to the sum of
\$361.48 have been given.

On St. George's Day a wreath was
laid on the Cenotaph and later a
concert was held at the Theatre
Royal.

During the year 27 new members
joined the Society.

Your Committee deeply regret to
record the death of the following
members since the last report:—

Mr. E. E. de W. Abney, Mr.
D. A. G. Allison, Mr. A. A. Bolton,
Mr. W. E. Clarke, Mr. W. T. Dye,
Mr. R. Earnshaw, Mr. W. R. Gill,
Mr. W. Hardwick, Hon. Mr. P. H.
Holyoak, Mr. R. F. Mattingly, Mr.
T. E. Meek, Mr. H. B. Mould, Mr.
J. H. Oxberry.

and extend sincere sympathy to
their relations.

The accounts have been audited
by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham &
Matthews to whom our thanks are
due.

The Accounts.

From the accounts, it will be seen
that subscriptions and entrance
fees last year amounted to \$836,
profit from St. George's Day con-
cert was \$554.51, and interest
\$210.88.

Expenditure exclusive of grants
totalled \$508.55 of which \$335.52
was spent on telegrams.

RADIO CONCERT.

RECEPTION LOCALLY REPORTED GOOD.

Under the aegis of the local
Radio Society, a concert was broad-
cast last night by the Brunswick
House orchestra and the Hawaiian
Quartette, consisting of Messrs.
Baptista, Vaz, Xavier and Rocha.
Mr. Al Castro contributed a piano
solo and Mr. F. X. da Rocha
solo items on the saxophone. The
vocal part of the programme was
provided by Q.M.S. Roberts.

Reception was reported as good
with in the case of Kowloon, inter-
ruptions by persistent oscillation
which was modified after a broad-
cast announcement had been made
of the nuisance.

In connection with the Radio So-
ciety's class for the study of trans-
mission and the Morse code, a meet-
ing of those interested will be held
at the Society's Office at the "South
China Morning Post" building next
Monday evening at 6-15 p.m.

DISORDERLY WATCHMEN.

Dulah Khan and Dulah Mohamed,
two Indian watchmen employed by
the Kwong Sang Hong Company
were this morning charged before
Mr. Lindsell with fighting in Wan-
chai last night.

First accused, who was a much
bigger man and sported a black
eye, said second accused was origi-
nally given first duty last night but
subsequently witness was ordered
to take over from him. When wit-
ness told second accused to go
away the latter attacked him with-
out the slightest provocation.

Second accused said the first man
was under the influence of
drink ordered him to leave his post,
and when witness refused he push-
ed him roughly. "I pushed him
also and he fell down."

The accused were fined \$3 each
and ordered to sign bonds in the
sum of \$50 to keep the peace for
6 months.

Mr. J. E. Joseph and Mr. A. Strok
were among the Hong Kong passen-
gers on the "Empress of Canada"
which arrived to-day from Van-
couver via Shanghai.

Cor. Co. reverts to the rank of
Private at his own request.

Leave.

The following are granted leave
of absence from the Corps:—

Corpl. G. B. Layton, Reserve Co.,
from April 1 to Dec. 31, 1927.

Pte. T. C. Monaghan, No. 1 Pla-
toon, from March 30 to Sept. 30,
1927.

Pte. D. D. Urguhart, No. 2 Pla-
toon, six months' extension of leave
from March 1 to August 31, 1927.

Resignations.

The following are permitted to
resign from the Corps on leaving
the Colony:—

Sergt. J. F. W. Placott, En-
gineer Co.

Pte. W. T. Daley, No. 2 Platoon.

NOTICES.

No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club will
hold their first meeting at Peak
range this Sunday commencing at
9.30 a.m. It is hoped that all mem-
bers of the Rifle Club will endeav-
our to be present.

Programmes for the annual rifle
meeting are now ready and can be
obtained on application to the Or-
derly Room.

SUCCESS & CHANCE.

MEN AS "PUPPETS" OF FATE.

A LOCAL DEBATE.

"Tis not in morals to command success, but we'll do more, we'll deserve it."

This remark in Addison's "Cato" formed the basis of an interesting debate last night at the Y.M.C.A. The point at issue was not whether man deserved success but whether chance played a greater part than his own powers in achieving it.

Mr. J. B. Trevor, in leading the motion that man's powers were the determining factor, said that if it were not so then we had not progressed beyond the animal stage and our acts were not those of volition but due alone to the workings of blind chance. Success did not come without hard work and frequent disappointments; chance often played a part in it but it was man's own powers and his ability to "take the tide at the flood" that determined whether he would "flow to fortune" or whether his life would be "bound in shallows and in misery." It was not so then we had lost the powers of free will.

Dead Men's Shoes.

Mr. Dand, in opening for chance as a deciding factor, traced its influence on the life of business men. It was a question of waiting for dead men's shoes and it was chance which dictated whether those shoes should become vacant to-morrow or some twenty or more years hence. Even if a man progressed steadily from office apprenticeship upwards it was not his ability necessarily but his long connection and acquaintance with the requirements of the firm by long service that determined his promotion.

In the realm of military generalship, no matter how clever a general was and how carefully he had mugged out his plans, chance in the form of the exact strength of the enemy at certain points and of a favourable or unfavourable wind in the case of a gas attack or naval manoeuvre determined the success of the engagement.

Mr. A. May, in seconding Mr. Trevor, contended that there was no such thing as chance but only laws which could be used and made amenable. Even in the case of the throw of dice, it was possible for a man so to perfect himself in the "art" as to reduce the element of chance to a minimum and even possible that mathematics might evolve a law which would eliminate chance altogether.

Turn of the Dice.

Mr. Dand caused considerable amusement by asking Mr. May to acquaint him with "such a law when evolved." It would help him considerably in balancing the weekly budget. (Laughter.)

The Rev. Mr. Wittenbach seconded Mr. Dand and caused considerable amusement by detailing how a king in the early ages tested the views on life of two people, one of whom was of the happy-go-lucky sort who believed in chance and the other one who regarded himself as the sole determiner in such achievement. The two men were imprisoned in a darkened room and a bag of diamonds and peas unknown to them was hidden in the room. The happy-go-lucky man accepted his lot with resignation and went to sleep and the other searched feverishly for something with which to alleviate his lot. Finding the bag in question he amused himself in eating the peas and, in the case of the diamonds, finding them too hard for consumption, he amused himself in throwing them at his companion in misfortune. When the King visited the men in the morning he found the man who had done nothing with the diamonds and the other with indignation.

Examinations.

It was such happy chances which proved the turning point in many a man's life. (Laughter.) From school life upwards a man's success depended on chance not to the elimination of his ability but on chance, to a slighter extent. In examinations, a man's success depended on whether he had looked at the particular questions asked just before the examination or fairly recently with them fresh in his mind. It also depended on the frame of mind in which his particular paper caught the eye of the examiner. (Laughter.)

After an interesting discussion from the body of the audience the motion was put and it was decided in favour of chance.

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MUSIC AND FILMS.

QUEEN'S THEATRE'S GREAT PROGRAMME.

MILITARY BAND'S SUCCESS.

The greatest enthusiasm was witnessed in the Queen's Theatre last night when the Band of the 1st Battalion of the Border Regiment contributed to the programme, Lieut.-Colonel G. Hyde Harrison, D.S.O., and his officers having courteously given permission, when approached by the enterprising management of Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., for the public to have this opportunity of hearing the Band.

Mr. O. W. Geary, A.R.C.M., conducted the Band, and needless to say the music was of a high order in point of playing; so much so, indeed, that a crowded house was quite carried away, and insisted upon encore after encore, with the result that the photoplay part of the programme was not a little delayed.

The programme was as follows:—

- 1.—Prelude. 3rd Act "Loken-grin."
- 2.—Humoresque. "A Musical Switch."
- 3.—Characteristic Piece. "The Parade of the Tin Soldiers."

Among the encores, which all received loud applause, perhaps the most popular was a vocal fox-trot number, which, as the saying is, fairly brought the house down.

The Band of the 1st Battalion of the Border Regiment will contribute to the 9.20 p.m. programme again to-night, and the Band of the Camerons will play on Saturday night.

The stage lighting effects which accompany the orchestral interludes are extremely beautiful, and the greatest admiration was expressed last night for the latest innovations made in this direction.

Altogether the music and the colours combine to make a delightful addition to the programme, and the management is to be congratulated on its enterprise and unqualified success in lending variety to the programme.

The feature film now being shown at the Queen's Theatre is "The Flaming Frontier," which goes far to justify its claim to be the greatest outdoor picture the industry has yet produced.

The story deals with the advance of civilization into the country of the Red Indian, and in point of filming it can only be described as wonderful. The last stand of a small force of troops against overwhelming odds is based on history. Hoot Gibson, the famous cowboy actor, fills the leading role.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

LAST NIGHT'S ENJOYABLE CONCERT.

The members of St. Patrick's Club and their friends celebrated their patron saint's day with a very enjoyable concert at the Club Hall on Garden Road last night. The little theatre was filled to capacity and many had to stand in the adjoining billiards room.

The programme represented a capital entertainment, and so lengthy was it that four items had to be taken off the second part in order that the "show" could finish on time for the gathering to catch the last tram and ferry home.

"The orchestra of the Societa dei Philharmoni" rendered four classical pieces, which were well received. Masters J. Dillon and J. Roza were very popular with the audience in their duet "What are the wild waves saying." Mr. E. G. d'Almeida sang as well as ever, while this son, Mr. G. F. d'Almeida, gave evidence of a good voice. Father and son both sang operatic pieces in Italian. Popular songs appropriate to the occasion were contributed by Messrs. J. Mahoney and E. White, while Mr. J. Braga gave a well rendered violin solo, accompanied by Rev. F. Rignanti at the piano. The humorous part of the programme was in the capable hands of Messrs. J. Bowler, G. Newell, G. Coyle, J. Grenham and Kelly all of whom made instantaneous hits with the audience and provoked a lot of laughter. Mr. Coyle as "Jones the Army Major, who, who" was particularly good, while Mr. Grenham was one of the best amateur character comedians seen in the Colony for a long time.

PERCIVAL STREET ROBBERIES.

A burglar entered the third floor of No. 76, Percival Street, yesterday afternoon, by forcing the verandah door. He stole jewellery worth \$125.

The tenant of house No. 56 on the same street was the victim of a similar robbery last night when a quantity of clothing was stolen. In the pocket of a coat was a purse containing \$180 in notes. The missing clothing was later found in an empty house some doors away, but the money has not been recovered.

Five Army ranks returned to Hong Kong on the s.s. "Kueichow" from Tientsin.

WEALTHY COUPLE.

A BABIES' TUSSELE FOR ADOPTION.

"HE'S THE BOY FOR US."

Geoffrey, a sturdy little fellow not a great deal older than 2 years, has just become the adopted son of a wealthy childless couple in a novel way.

He was in the care of the National Children Adoption Association, of Sloan-street, Chelsea, when his parents came along to make a choice from about a dozen very small boys.

As soon as Geoffrey caught sight of the prospective adopters he conceived an instant liking for them and, rushing from the ranks of his companions, threw himself into their arms.

But there was another candidate for a good home who had suddenly taken a fancy to the visitors, and he, too, clamoured for their embrace.

"Oh, the darling!" cried the woman. "Let us take both of them."

"Don't Part Them."

Her husband shook his head. "One will be enough for a start," he objected. "We shall have to make up our minds which one it is to be."

As though they realised that they had become rivals, Geoffrey and the other little claimant suddenly seized each other, and an infantile tussle for supremacy began.

"Don't part them," urged Geoffrey's father-to-be. "They are both splendid little chaps. We'll adopt the winner!"

The tiny contestants had set their baby-teeth for a decisive struggle, and with their arms tightly entwined they tottered and tottered there until, with a final pull, Geoffrey had his "man" down and stood triumphantly beside him.

"He's the boy for us!" the adopters decided, and Geoffrey came back to their arms unchallenged.

But there were kisses for the vanquished—and certain other "consolation prizes."

GRIM HALL

THE 500 FAMOUS AND INFAMOUS.

Dungeons more grim than any used in the French or Russian revolutions or in the time of the Inquisition are to be opened in London at the end of this year.

They will make London's most blood-curdling scene. They will occupy the whole of the lowest basement of the new Museum, Tussaud's, in Marylebone-road, W., which is hoped to open before Christmas, and they will be the home of the gallery of famous murderers and other criminals.

In the new building that is to rise on the ashes of the one which was almost destroyed by fire in March 1925 more than 500 wax figures are to be shown in surroundings more appropriate than used to be employed.

When a reporter saw Mr. John T. Tussaud working on the head of Mussolini, the artist turned from his work to say that the public expected another Chamber of Horrors. He prefers the more difficult task of modelling people who are worthily famous.

"We even have to hunt for Greek medals to help us in getting perfect likenesses," he said. "The greatest help has been that all the casts were preserved; some of them having been kept more than 100 years. To them, however, we are adding Mussolini, Mr. 'Tim' Henly, Mr. Cosgrave, Sir Oliver Lodge, Mr. Thomas Hardy, Sir James Barrie, Hindenburg, the Empire Premier, Mr. B. Phillips, Oppenheim, Mr. Jerome K. Jerome, Mr. H. G. Wells, Mr. Gerald du Maurier, Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch, and many more."

"In many cases we have to work from photographs, but we do not run the risk of a photograph telling a lie." He indicated scores of different pictures of Mussolini and a pile of books with illustrations of the famous Italian. The model which had grown from clay in four hours was a likeness based on all the pictures, and not a copy of any one.

"We are not attempting any new methods of dressing the exhibits, or any new process of 'waxing them,' said Mr. Tussaud. "Wax modelling is the oldest art, being practised by the Egyptians, and we use the old methods."

The new Tussaud's is to have a cinema to seat 2,000, a giant organ, and a restaurant for 500.

SNOW AND FLAMES.

BLIND HERO SAVES HIS FAMILY.

Wakened by the roar of flames in his bedroom, which was filled with smoke, Alfred Mander, a blind ex-serviceman, and the proprietor of a chandler's shop in Camden-town, dragged his wife and two children to the window.

He clambered out himself on to the sloping snow-covered roof of an outhouse, but crashed through a skylight. When he fell he was almost precipitated into the flames, but he clung to the edge and climbed out. He then assisted his family over the roofs of outhouses, and then jumped into a neighbour's backyard.

Meanwhile Louisa Smith, aged 15, living in the rooms above the Mander's, awakened her family, and, carrying a two-year-old brother, she shepherded her brother and sister to safety down the smoke-filled and charred staircase, the mother following, carrying a three-months baby.

WEDDING DEATH.

ARCHDEACON SAMUEL HEMPHILL.

THE BRIDE NOT TOLD.

The Venerable Samuel Hemphill, Archdeacon of Down, while at the altar in the parish church of Drumbeg, near Belfast, awaiting the arrival of a bridal party, collapsed. Within a few minutes he died. The wedding was that of Mr. Rodney Malcolmson, the Irish hockey international, and Miss Lily Woods, of Belfast. Mr. Malcolmson was present and the church was well filled when the Archdeacon collapsed. The Rev. R. Whitehead, the curate, was summoned, and half an hour later performed the marriage ceremony.

The bride was not told of the death until after the ceremony. The Archdeacon, who had intended officiating, had been in indifferent health for some time. On his arrival at the church he fainted in the vestry, but, notwithstanding this, when he recovered he entered the church.

He was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, holding the degrees of B.A., D.L., and Litt.D. From 1888 to 1892 he held the Chair of Biblical Greek in Trinity College. He had occupied many important positions in the Church of Ireland, including those of Chancellor of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, and Treasurer of Down Cathedral.

DARING ESCAPE.

LOINCLOTH "LADDER" FROM JAIL WALL.

Excitement was caused in Rangoon in the early hours of Jan. 31, by the firing of the rifles, followed by the sounding by the jail buglers of the battalion of military police quartered in the vicinity of the Rangoon jail.

Four Burman prisoners had made their escape. It appears they did this by removing the bar of the cell and hiding in the lavatory from which they secured bamboo poles. With these and their loincloths they climbed up one side of the steep wall and down the other side before they were detected.

The jail was surrounded by the military police but up to 7 p.m. that day there was no trace of the escaped men. The district authorities have been advised by wire and the Rangoon police are scouring the place.

The men were naked when they escaped, having used their only clothing as rope but, apparently, they obtained clothes quickly on gaining the other side of the wall.

The escape was cleverly carried out and had been evidently planned well in advance.

MR. H. G. WELLS AS PLOTTER.

The postmaster at Grasse, who in view of the popularity of the charming little town is used to seeing a large number of letters addressed to foreigners pass through his hands, has nevertheless during the past few weeks been surprised at the very large number of letters addressed to one man. "I should not be surprised if he were a conspirator," he confessed to his friend.

Finally he became so anxious that he informed the police. The suspected villa was closely watched, but nothing in the least suspicious was noticed. The Police Commissioner then decided to pay a personal visit to the occupant. "How is it that you receive so many letters?" he asked severely. "I really don't know," was the only answer that Mr. H. G. Wells could find on the spur of the moment. The Police Commissioner came to the conclusion that he could hardly be a conspirator, but decided that he might be making a dubious living out of fortune-telling by correspondence, and was accordingly a man to be watched in any case.

Mr. H. G. Wells has apparently made no effort to undeceive him; he doubtless thinks that so much pertinacity should not go unrewarded.

CRAMPS IN THE STOMACH.

NO need of suffering from cramps in the stomach or intestinal pains. Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy never fails to relieve the most severe cases. Get it today; there will be no time to send for it after the attack comes on. For sale everywhere.

INNER HISTORY.

SIDELIGHTS ON PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION.

"AN OPERETTA PRESIDENT."

Paris, Feb. 11. General Costa, an ex-Premier of Portugal, revealed the inner history of the revolution when interviewed by "L'Ere Nouvelle." He says the revolt, which broke out prematurely, had been planned to occur simultaneously in all the large towns, but an unexpected incident upset plans. The president, General Carmona, went to Oporto to commemorate the first Republican revolt in 1891—a date held sacred by Republicans.

The excitement of this act on the part of the dictators led the students to prepare for the fray immediately. They telegraphed to General Carmona, whom they described as an operetta President, asking him to stop the burlesque comedy and give up power to a responsible constitutional Government. This let the cat out of the bag and enabled General Carmona to prepare to suppress the revolt.

General Costa declares that General Carmona's Government has dissipated a deposit of £3,000,000 in England, and has negotiated a loan of £12,000,000 in London based on the Portuguese tobacco imports and thus depriving Portugal of an important source of revenue. This exasperated the Portuguese people and fanned into flame the spirit of revolt.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAU."

Entertainments.

March 18—Queen's Theatre; "The Flaming Frontier."

March 18—World Theatre; "The Lost World."

March 18—Star Theatre; "Bride of the Storm;" "Waking Up the Town."

March 19—Concert and dance at City Hall, given by Morrison Hall (University Hostel), members, 8 p.m.

March 19—The Hong Kong A.D.C. presents the brilliant comedy by Frederick Lonsdale, "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne" at the Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

March 21 & 22—Jascha Heifetz at the Queen's Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

April 1, 2, 4, 8, 9—Theatre Royal; "H.M.S. Pinafore," 9.30 p.m.

April 6—Theatre Royal; "H.M.S. Pinafore," Matinee, 4.30 p.m.

Sports.

March 26—First extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at Race Course, Happy Valley.

March 26—Twelfth Annual Sports meeting of H.K. University Athletic Association, University ground, Pokfulam, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

March 18—Annual meeting of the Society of St. George, Hong Kong, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co. Ltd., 5.30 p.m.

March 23—Fifth annual meeting of H.K. Engineering & Construction Co. Ltd., Messrs. Shawan Tomes & Co. Ltd., 11.30 a.m.

March 23—Sixteenth annual meeting of the Bank of Canton, Ltd., 6, Des Voeux Rd., C.H., 2.30 p.m.

March 26—Thirty-first meeting of the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co. Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Rd., noon.

March 26—Forty-second meeting of A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.

March 28—Fifty-eighth general meeting of H.K. Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.

March 28—Hong Kong Automobile Assn. meeting, Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, 5.30 p.m.

March 29—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd., 2, Queen's Bldg., noon.

March 30—Extraordinary meeting of The China Light & Power Co., (1918) Ltd., St. George's Bldg., (Center Road), 2.30 p.m.

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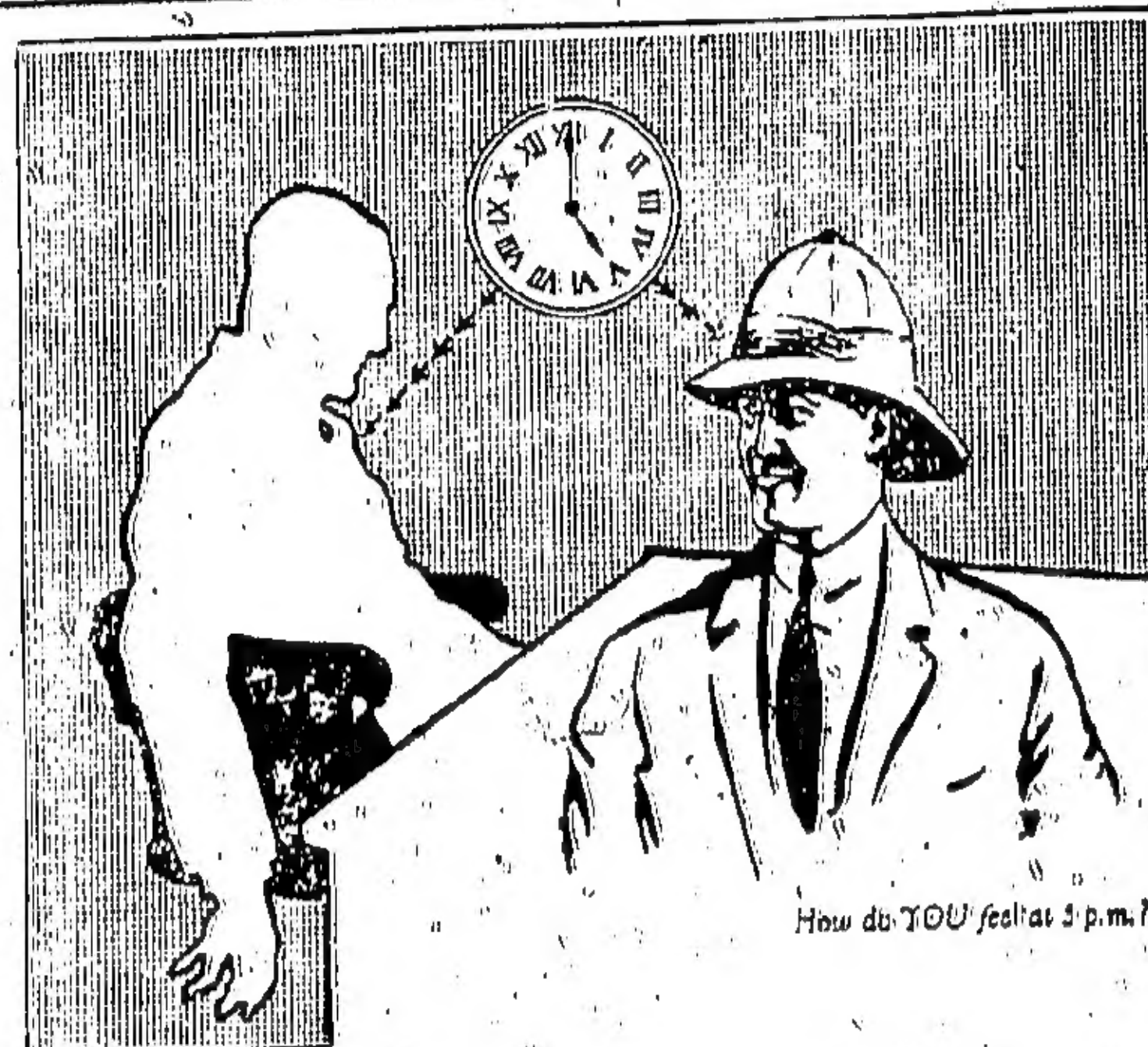
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Another innovation was the provision of free seats for persons who wish to see a play twice.

One glance at the Festival Theatre's programme showed that something of the beaten track was to be expected (says the "Daily Mirror").

When the management of a theatre announced that "those who prefer to arrive late at a performance will do so without being made to feel uncomfortable," one assumed that something in the nature of a revolution was occurring in the theatrical world.

Late-comers at the Festival Theatre were not snubbed, but they were made very comfortable in special seats, which they occupied until the first interval.

There are no rules and regulations at the Festival Theatre; the supreme desire of the management is that its patrons will enjoy themselves without restraint.

Pipe smokers are welcomed, and the audience, if they wish, can create as much noise as they like during a performance—this prob-

G. B. S. AS PRODUCER.

Hearing that Miss Sybil Thorn-dike was rehearsing her production of "Macbeth," Mr. George Bernard Shaw wrote, "May I come?" (reports the "Daily News.")

Miss Thorn-dike and Mr. Lewis Casson (who is producing the play) said they would be delighted, and so the next rehearsal began with Shaw occupying a seat in the stalls.

He did not stay there long, however. In the middle of a scene he cried, "Wait a minute Lewis," disappeared from the stalls and a minute later reappeared on the stage.

"I think it would be better to take the entrance like that," he suggested. "And I think Ainley ought to do this," he went on. In a few seconds he had taken complete charge of the stage.

Conquering ideas, he marched up and down the boards. An alteration here, a different piece of business there—a regrouping in this place, a fresh approach to that passage, a changing light on that.

So Mr. Casson relinquished the helm to the veteran who piloted Miss Thorn-dike, Mr. Ainley and the rest of the fine cast through the remaining four hours of the rehearsal.

He drew out a number of valuable suggestions, and this Christmas Eve production of "Macbeth" will bear upon it the stamp of the most original mind in the modern theatre.

But I was irresistibly reminded of the line put in the mouth of the burlesque G. B. S. in a recent

JAZZ AT ALBERT HALL.

Shades of the Prince Consort!

Mr. Jack Hylton's Jazz Band gave an entertainment at the Albert Hall W. What would the Prince Consort have said? asks a Home critic.

We say "Jazz" for convenience sake. It is a better word than American Dance Band or Symphonised Syncopated Orchestra. These people's pride in their syncopation is childlike—the device in one which the great musicians from Bach to Stravinsky have considered used.

A cheerful and informed noise was made, and it was all much to the taste of a large and enthusiastic audience—an audience more predominantly youthful than is usually seen in the concert room.

This thing has a vogue, and everything, good and bad, was applauded down to a sentimental saxophone solo that was no better than what street musicians play to us any day for nothing.

Ugly.

Two pieces of some pretensions were on the programme: Eric Coates's Fantasy, "The Three Bears," and Leighton Lucas's Dance Suite (Postlöt, Waltz, Blues, Charleston).

On the whole these white musicians gave one an impression of some unassuming and affection in their emulation of the art of Dixieland. The simple Negro playing the duce with the complicated instruments of civilisation does this kind of thing more spontaneously. In the conductor's fantasia, "Hyltonisms," the solo by a clever trombonist was delectably ugly, but the first trumpet played agreeably as well as brilliantly.

MUSIC CONDUCTORS' PANEL.

Sir Walford Davies, speaking from 2LO draw the attention of keen musicians in the neighbourhood of London to the fact that there was now a panel of conductors who were willing to conduct singing classes who could not afford to pay for a professional conductor. There was a group of dis-tinct people, he said, who were simply waiting and "paving the ground" for work anywhere in London and ten miles around. It was important for those who had small choral societies and singing classes and were wondering how they would carry on in the winter that they should know that there were people who were waiting to serve them. It was a public service and there were no expenses.

Sir Walford added: "Write to Mr. Fairfax Jones, the secretary of the British Federation of Musical Competition Festivals, at 8, Central Buildings, S.W. 1, and if you are within ten miles of London he will send you a teacher and an accompanist if you want one." The federation was not only willing to send conductors where they were wanted, but it would arrange for a series of classes for training conductors if a sufficient number in any district wished to attend. A nominal charge would be made to cover expenses.

THE LIFE OF A BEE.

Intimate revelations of the life of a bee are made in a film called "The Adventures of Maya the Bee," which has been shown at the Marble Arch Pavilion.

Large as a bull on the screen, the young bee Maya sets forth on a honey-gathering journey and shows the audience many fascinating sights on her way. A family of engaging rabbits, Horace the owl, the birth of a dragon-fly who afterwards slays a peaceful bluebottle, a nestful of slow-worms emerging from eggs, ants, and "rose-beetles" each in turn are revealed.

Maya aids a beetle who has fallen helplessly on his back, and the beetle chivalrously rescues her from a spider's web. There is, too, a battle royal between bees and hornets.

A full-length romance with insect instead of human actors, this picture has taken four years to make. It is a triumph of ingenuity, and will delight children and fascinate adults.

An entertainment new to London will be launched at the new Polytechnic Theatre, Regent Street, W., when Mozart's opera "Marriage of Figaro" will be rendered by operatic artists aided by a film.



Rudolf Friml, famous Austrian composer, has gone to Banff to gain inspiration for the score of the "Squaw Man," a new musical comedy upon which he is at present working. "Rose Marie," one of Friml's most recent successes, has popularized this young composer with the musical and theatrical world. The "Squaw Man" became widely popular through the interpretation of the actor, William Faversham.

In the accompanying photograph Mr. Friml is shown fingering a small key-board. It is an invention of his own and upon it he works out many of his compositions, while travelling overland where a piano is not available.

ably being designed to assist noisy critics. Further, any member of the audience may see a play a second time, entirely free of charge, provided there is a seat available for him, by signing at the box-office after the performance.

But the most striking effort on the part of the management to add to the comfort of their patrons is the programme, which can be read in the dark.

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After all these surprising things, one might wonder what type of play the theatre will present.

Here the imagination of the producers will mean variety. The opening piece was "The Oresteia of Aeschylus," followed by "W. J. Turner's modern comedy, 'The Man Who Ate the Popcorn'."

Hastings has decided to increase the municipal orchestra from 21 to 32 musicians at an additional cost of £70 weekly.

WILLIAM THE CONQUEROR.

Paris, Jan. 8.

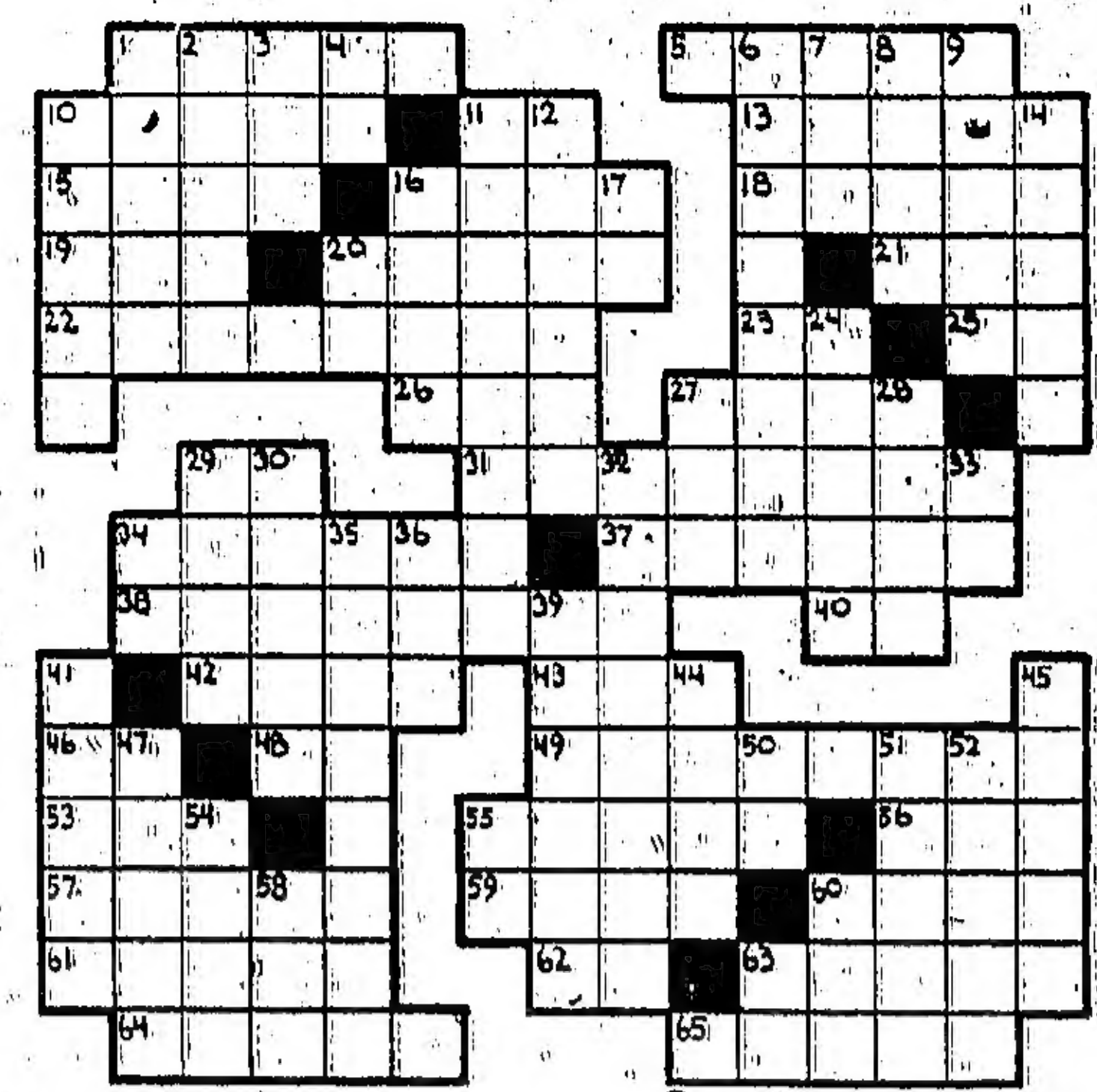
Normandy will celebrate the birth of William the Conqueror in June next, Caen is organising fetes. False pageants, and Dives sur mer will dispatch Norman ships in the direction of England, turning for Le Havre and sailing up the Seine to Rouen. The present is attracting many English people.

"Something to Talk About."

A new play, by Mr. Eden Philpotts, produced at the Coliseum, St. Martin's Lane, W.C., concerns a cat burglar's visit to a house, but is rather slow in action, and at its first performance was not too well acted, writes Home Theatrical Correspondent.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-A cereal between wheat and barley | 53-Simpleton | 20-Guinea (abbr.) |
| 2-An ear, as of grain | 54-Enclined | 21-Girl's name |
| 3-Trite | 55-The sun | 22-Prefix, Through |
| 4-Greece (abbr.) | 57-An island, S. E. of Greece | 23-A short distance |
| 5-A lord (Scott.) | 59-Restrained | 24-A certain day in old Roman calendar |
| 6-Barrel-shaped vessel | 60-Spill | 25-In music, time |
| 7-Food (slang) | 61-A fixed gaze | 26-Costly |
| 8-A cavern (poet.) | 62-Personal pronoun | 27-A holy man (abbr.) |
| 9-Altitude (abbr.) | 63-To shatter | 28-Part of the Bible (abbr.) |
| 10-To comprehend | 64-A sharp burning pain | 29-A good-for-nothing |
| 11-Evan (contr.) | 65-To mortify | 30-Male child |
| 12-Agreable | VERTICAL | 31-One of the Apostles |
| 13-A musical note | 1-To stop by an obstruction | 32-Political groups |
| 14-Prefix, Two | 2-An adhesive | 33-Bound |
| 15-A prickly flower | 3-A large deer | 34-A being of the air |
| 16-Legumes | 4-The (French) | 35-Male red deer (pl.) |
| 17-Pronoun | 5-Stage for public speaking | 36-N. am. State of U. S. (abbr.) |
| 18-Young hare | 6-Sum. Pertaining to | 37-The Mohammedan religion |
| 19-A Russian seaport | 7-A hawk-like bird | 38-Unfastened |
| 20-A little sea | 8-Went wrong | 39-A notable performance |
| 21-Singular | 9-To escape (poet.) | 40-Interjection |
| 22-Epistle (abbr.) | 10-Composed of grains | 41-Patron saint of France |
| 23-Extend over | 11-Brilliant | 42-Mail (Scott.) |
| 24-Hard fruit of some trees | 12-Patron saint of France | 43-An English coin (abbr.) |
| 25-Left hand (abbr.) | 13-France | |
| 26-Latin for "oil" (abbr.) | 14-Booze | |
| 27-Cautiously | 15-Bill payable (abbr.) | |

The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.

"And So To Bed," the Pepsys play at the Savoy Theatre, Strand, W.C., has not only achieved its 450th performance, but it has been given some new scenery, designed by Mr. J. B. Fagan.

Replying to a deputation to the British Board of Film Censors, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P. (President of the Board), said with regard to censorship the Board preferred to allow its powers to remain as at present, and to permit local licensing authorities to exercise their discretion. All the powers necessary to deal with undesirable films were, he believed, possessed by the Board.

A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

"THE OVERLAND CHINA MAIL."

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The latest movements of the troops in the Colony are also detailed at length.

This week's issue furthermore furnishes reliable information of the latest happenings on the Yangtze, the problems there, of course, being inseparable from the struggle in China as a whole, as well as exercising an important bearing on the relations between Great Britain and China.

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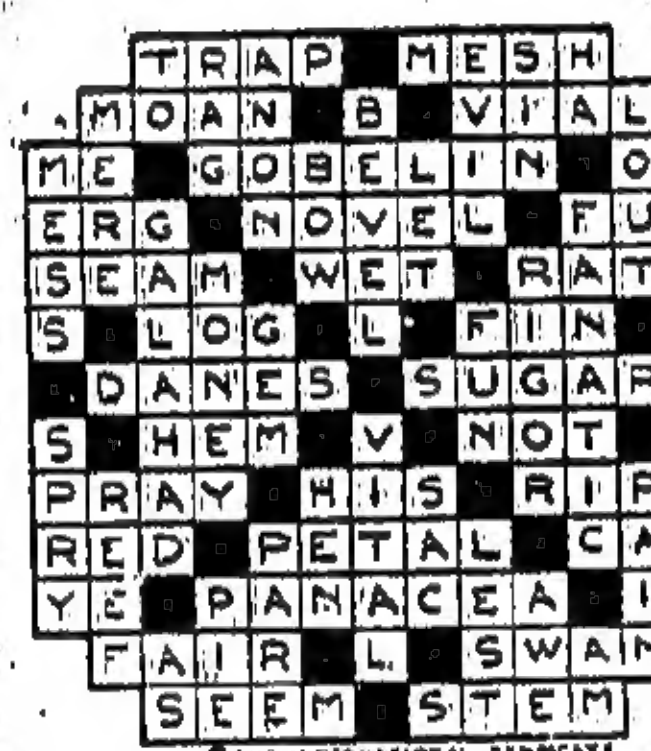
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

A society of private individuals has voluntarily restarted broadcasting in Johannesburg pending permanent arrangements.

On the 115th anniversary of the birth of Charles Dickens, there was the yearly pilgrimage to his tomb in Westminster Abbey.

Lancs and Cheshire Coal Association have decided to reduce the best house coal 2s. 6d. a ton and common coal 1s. 8d. a ton.

Portraits by Gilbert Stuart of Miss Ann Barry and Miss Mary Barry realised 1,300 and 1,000 guineas respectively at Christie's.

Guy Motors, Ltd., of Fallings Park, Wolverhampton, has received a repeat order for 99 omnibus chassis from Rio de Janeiro Tramways.

Driven ashore at Kingsdown, near Deal, during the Channel gale on Christmas Eve, the Harwich steamer "Mistley" has been refloated.

By the addition of a new power unit at Neasden capable of developing 25,000 horse-power, more trains will be run on the Metropolitan Railway.

More than double the customary number of wireless licences have been taken out daily in the Southampton area since six wireless "pirates" were fined.

The Prince of Wales and Prince Henry will attend the annual dinner of the Farmers' Union at Melton Mowbray and Prince George also may be present.

Fifteen specially selected non-commissioned officers of the regular Army are included in the entry of 100 new cadets to the Royal Military College, Sandhurst.

The Prince of Wales has promised to visit Northampton for the children's festival at the end of June, and will inspect the boot factories and leather works.

Owing to illness June, the musical comedy actress, is unable to go on tour with the musical play, "Happy Go Lucky," and Miss Margaret Campbell will take her part.

The Peruvian steamer "Huallaga," 4,403 tons, struck the Piedra Blanca rocks off Valparaiso and will probably become a total wreck, but the passengers and crew were rescued.

Police officers in plain clothes raided the Italia Social Club, Great Bath Street, Clerkenwell, E.C., seized the books, and took the names and addresses of the 50 persons present.

A syndicate dominated by German technical influence and pledged to use Zeppelins has secured the contract to operate a Skato-aided airship service from Seville across the South Atlantic to Buenos Aires.

The estimated loss caused by fire in the L.C.C. area in 1926 was £453,622, compared with £800,411 in 1925, according to the report issued by the Chief Officer of the London Fire Brigade, Mr. A. R. Dyer.

It is expected that when Dr. Duisburg, president of the Federation of German Industry, returns from Egypt in April a visit of members of the Federation of British Industries to Germany will take place.

The Carlton Theatre, which is being built in the Haymarket, will be opened in April with a new musical play, "Lady Luck," in which Miss Phyllis Monkman, Mr. Laddie Cliff, and Mr. Leslie Hanson are to have the chief parts.

A diploma recording the inscription of his name in the Golden Book of Zionism was bestowed on Viscount Chilton, British Minister to Austria, at a reception he gave to Baron Alphonse de Rothschild and leading Vienna Jews.

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Faced with the threat of a rate increase of 1s. 4d. Hull City Council sent back the estimates of all committees with instructions to effect drastic economies.

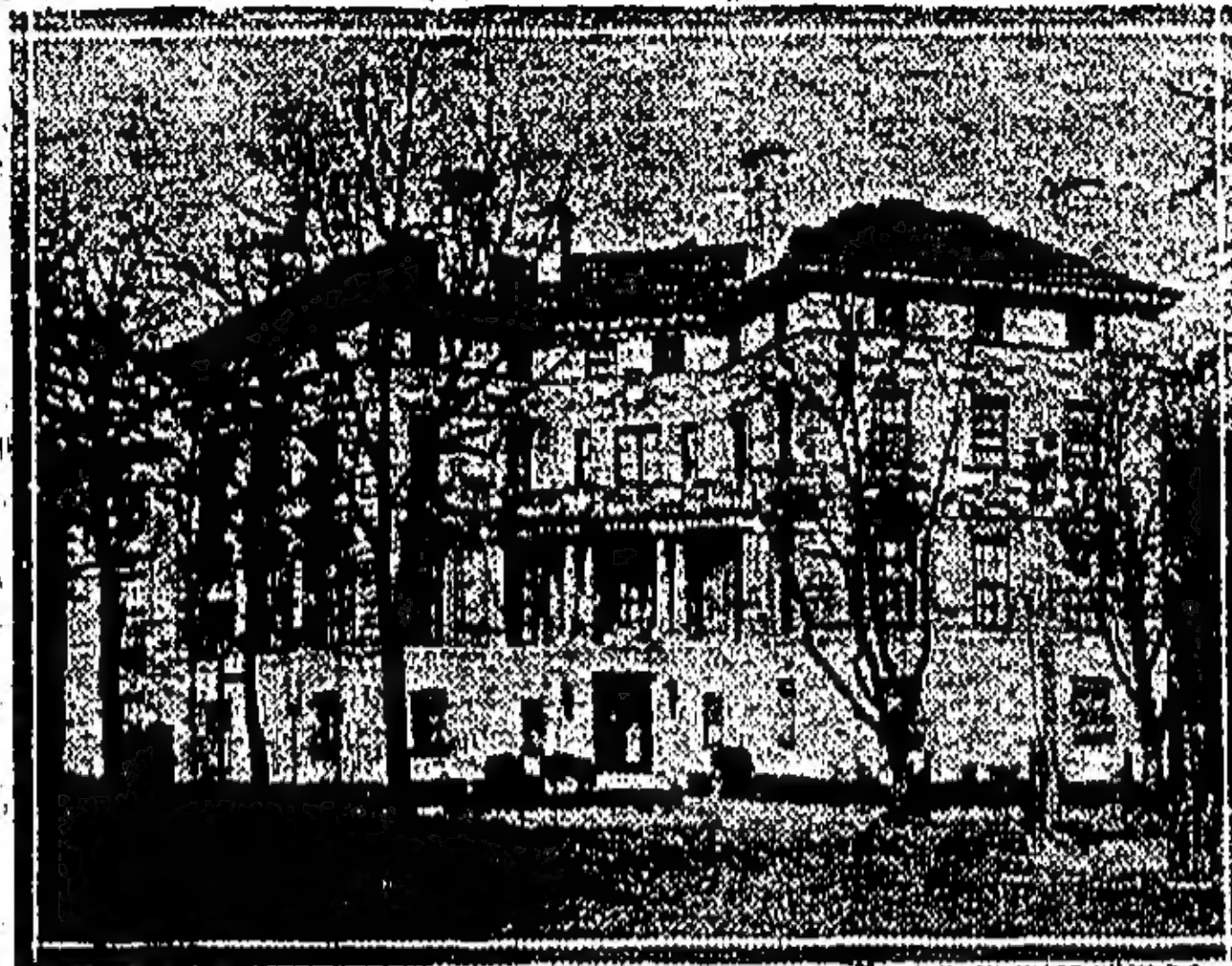
To encourage home and foreign markets British steelmakers have decided to make no change in prices, although faced with a substantial and immediate increase in railway rates.

A second death, that of Leonard Garrett, of Paul Street, Stratford, E., has taken place as the result of the explosion at the chemical works of Messrs. Johnson and Sons at Hendon, N.W.

Viscount Castlereagh, aged 24, son of the Marquis of Londonderry, was adopted as prospective Conservative candidate of Darlington.

Stated to be the third man who had committed suicide in the same place, a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind was returned at the inquest on Reginald Gandy, 24, who shot himself in a bakery at Rugby.

When 28 cyclists were fined for infringement of the new Birmingham by-law which prohibits hanging on moving vehicles it was stated that the law was passed as much in the interests of cyclists as of vehicle drivers.



This beautiful mansion, known to fashionable Washington as the Patterson House, has been selected by President and Mrs. Coolidge to serve as the temporary White House during the period that the real White House will be undergoing extensive repairs. The house is on Dupont Circle in a fashionable neighborhood and is owned by Mrs. Elmer Schlessinger, wife of a New York broker. She is a daughter of the late Robert W. Patterson, who built the house and before her marriage to the New York financier was the wife of Count Gysseka of Poland.

Mr. J. Paterson's Upton Lad, who is engaged in the Grand National, won the Amateurs' Steeplechase at Warwick.

Stolen from the parking-place in Aldwych, a two-seater motor-car was discovered abandoned a short distance away.

It is understood that the ban in the United States on borrowings by countries which have not funded their war debts has been removed. Intended to be an incentive to debt funding, the ban is stated to have resulted merely in a handicap to American foreign investment.

A Northamptonshire county branch of the National Playing Fields Association has been formed.

The death occurred at Mudeford, Christchurch, of Capt. Henry Arthur Beverley Shrubbs, R.N., who for 12 years was secretary of the Hampshire Division of the National Unionist Association.



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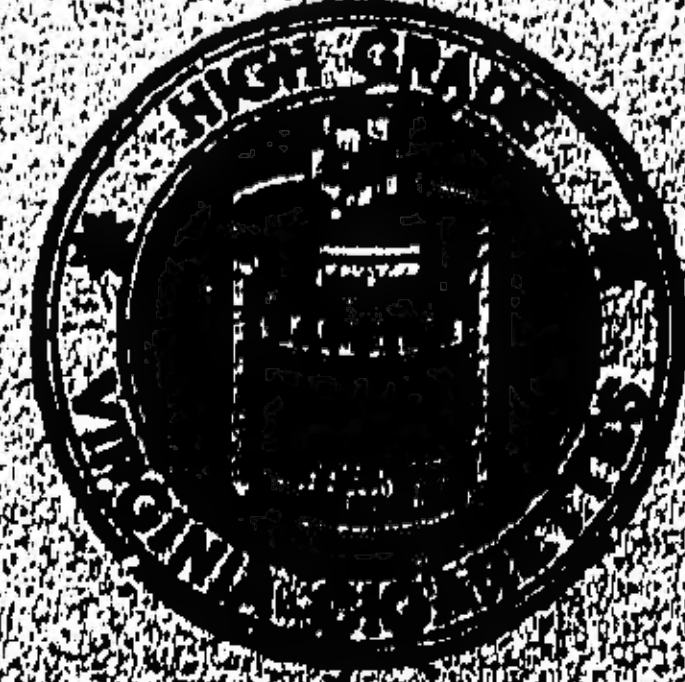
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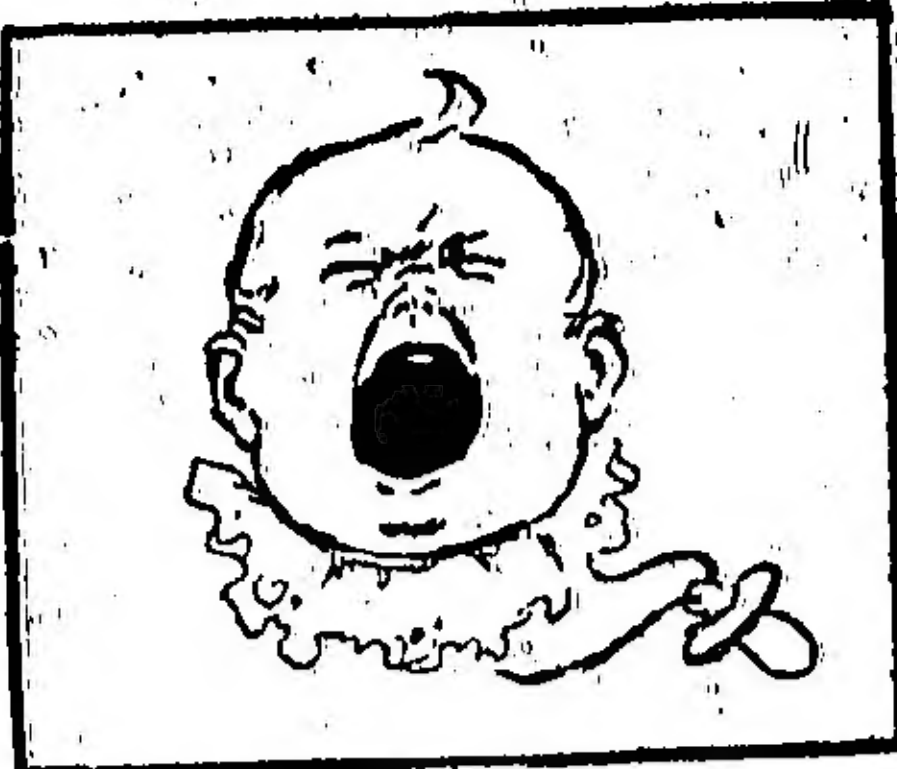
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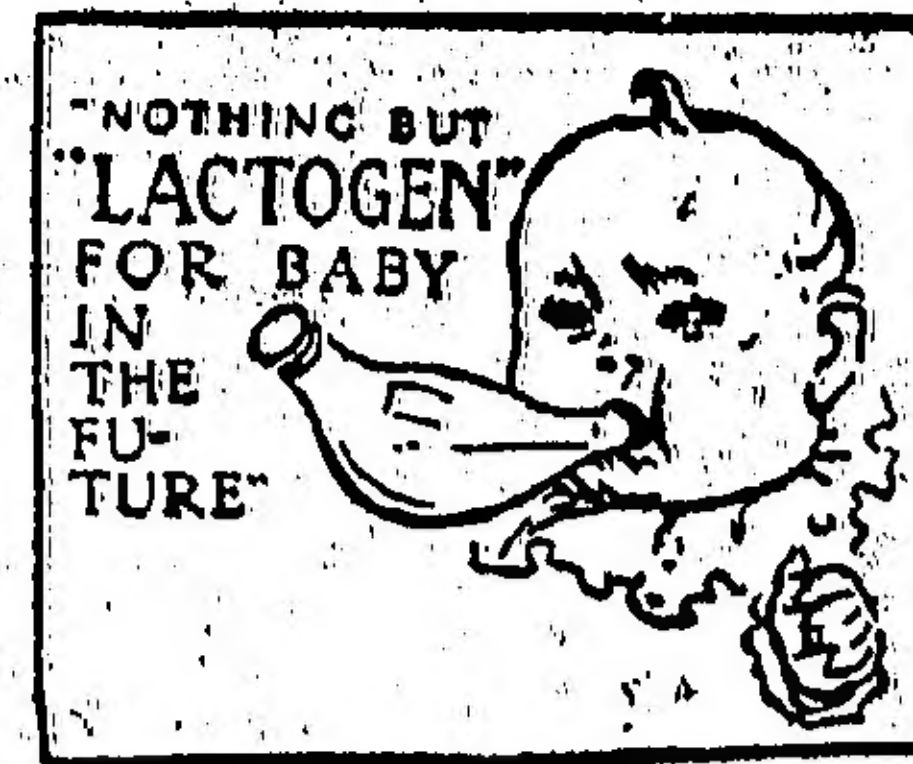


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Letters and postcards only for the United Kingdom and Europe will be forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

| From | SATURDAY, MARCH | Per |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Straits | 19 | Calchas. |
| Europe via Suez (letters & parcels London 17th Feb. & parcels 10th Feb.) | 20 | Devanha. |
| U.S.A., Japan, Japan & Shanghai | 20 | Pres. Madison. |
| Straits | 20 | Fooksang. |
| Shanghai | 20 | Suiyang. |
| MONDAY, MARCH | 21 | |
| Straits | 21 | Atsuta Maru. |
| TUESDAY, MARCH | 22 | |
| Japan | 22 | Tango Maru. |
| WEDNESDAY, MARCH | 23 | |
| Straits | 23 | Janus. |
| FRIDAY, MARCH | 25 | |
| Japan & Shanghai | 25 | Haruna Maru. |
| SATURDAY, MARCH | 26 | |
| Manila | 26 | Emp. of Canada. |

OUTWARD MAILS.

| For | FRIDAY, MARCH | Per |
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| Saigon | 18 | Taipei Maru. |
| Sam Shui & Wuchow | 18 | Tai Ming. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 15th April. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (19th) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. | 19 | Mongolia. |
| SATURDAY, MARCH | 19 | |
| Japan | 19 | Taiyibius. |
| Straits & Calcutta. Parcels noon. Letters 1 p.m. | 19 | Hosang. |
| Amoy | 19 | Anking. |
| Shanghai | 19 | Ninghai. |
| SUNDAY, MARCH | 20 | |
| *Swatow & Bangkok | 20 | Kiangsu. |
| Swatow, Amoy & Formosa | 20 | Kaijo Maru. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa | 20 | Shumko Maru. |
| Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia | 20 | Devanha. |
| TUESDAY, MARCH | 22 | |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu & San Francisco—due San Francisco, 18th April & Europe via Siberia Registration 9.45 a.m. Parcels 10.30 a.m. | 22 | Taiyo Maru. |
| Sandakan, Amoy & Poochow | 22 | Hinsang. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 21st April. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. | 22 | Hsiching. |
| WEDNESDAY, MARCH | 23 | |
| Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 4th April. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. | 23 | Adriatic. |
| Swatow, Amoy & Formosa | 23 | Fausang. |

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BRITISH PROPERTY.

Claims Against Soviet Government.

ASSETS WORTH £180,000,000.

Rugby, March 17.
The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. G. Locker Lampson, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said the value of trading, industrial and manufacturing properties which British subjects in Russia abandoned without compensation was estimated by the claimants at approximately £180,000,000. He was unable to say what proportion of this represented liquid assets.
Discussions had taken place from time to time with the Soviet Government regarding the liquidation of these claims without any satisfactory result. The British Government were awaiting a constructive proposal but hitherto none had been made by the Soviet Government.—British Wireless Service.

WORLD FLIGHT.

PORTUGUESE AVIATOR'S FURTHER PROGRESS.

Rio de Janeiro, March 17.
The Portuguese aviator Beires has arrived at Fernando Noronha.—Reuter's American Service.

A Buenos Aires cable dated March 11 stated:—"La Nacion's" correspondent at Bolama, Portuguese Guinea, wires that Major Sarmiento Beires, the Portuguese aviator flying round the world in a seaplane, has taken off for Port Natal, Brazil.
A cable from Buenos Aires the following day stated: A telegram from "La Nacion's" correspondent at Bolama states that Major Sarmiento Beires, had to return to the island of Bissagos, off the Portuguese Guinea Coast.

WAR DEBTS.

NO RECONSIDERATION BY AMERICA.

TREASURY CHIEF'S STATEMENT.

Washington, March 17.
Mr. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, replying to manifestos signed by members of the Faculties of Columbia and Princeton Universities, urging reconsideration of the settlement of the inter-allied debts on the ground that the settlement hitherto reached do not meet the actual situation, says the reopening of the question will be a step backward "calculated to produce discord and confusion rather than contribute to economic stability and orderly betterment of world prosperity."
Asserting that a nation is hardly likely to deserve and maintain the respect of other countries by sacrificing its own just claims, Mr. Mellon declares that cancellation of the debts owed to the United States would not of itself change the dislike with which the professors of Columbia and Princeton Universities alleged Europeans regarded the United States.
America's Hundreds of Millions.
Mr. Mellon declares that the reopening of the question will encourage French opposition to the ratification of the Franco-American debt funding agreement. He admitted that an argument could be adduced in favour of writing off the debts incurred after America's entry into the war to the extent that these were incurred for contributions to a common cause, but this argument could only apply if the proposed adjustment were mutual and applied to all on a strictly equal basis.
He points out that while the allies bought supplies in America on credit the United States sought supplies and services from France and the British Empire "by hundreds of millions," and paid cash, but nowhere has it been suggested that if the debts are to be cancelled the United States should be reimbursed for the dollars actually spent by them in France and Britain. He concludes declaring that the sums paid to the United States will not come from taxation but will be more than met by payments exacted from Germany by the Powers.—Reuter's American Service.

COAXING FRANCE.

America's Disarmament Appeal.

HELPING THE LEAGUE'S WORK.

Paris, March 17.
Renewing the invitation to France to be represented in some way at the naval disarmament conference a United States Note points out that the measures contemplated will not only facilitate the work of the League of Nations disarmament commission, but will advance the solution of the problem.
The Note declares that the discussions will be limited to questions of naval disarmament not yet resolved by treaties, and each Power will be free to take up any position it judges most favourable to her protection as a basis for negotiation.—Reuter.
American Delegation.
Washington, March 17.
Mr. Kellogg has announced that Mr. Hugh Gibson, who was Vice-Chairman of the American Delegation to the International Conference in connection with arms traffic at Geneva in 1925, will head the American Delegation to the preparatory Disarmament Conference and the Three Power Conference, and not Mr. Charles Hughes.—Reuter's American Service.

CHINA BANK SHARES

DISCOVERY BY BARCELONA POLICE.

Madrid, March 17.
Barcelona newspapers report the arrest of three foreigners in whose rooms were discovered a large number of share certificates of the National Bank of China believed to have been stolen from a London bank.—Reuter.

SENATOR KING AND HAITI

Santo Domingo, March 17.
Senator King has announced he will not attempt to enter Haiti as it is feared his presence might provoke trouble. He wished to avoid untoward incidents in a friendly country.—Reuter's American Service.
[A telegram from Washington on March 16 stated that political circles were keenly interested in the dilemma confronting Mr. Kellogg, Secretary of the State Department, regarding the case of Senator King, who was at Porto Rico preparing to sail to Haiti. The President of the Republic had refused to permit Mr. King to enter Haiti as an "undesirable," presumably on account of Mr. King's persistent attacks on the present state of affairs there and his criticism of President Borno.]

OIL SCANDAL ECHO.

Washington, March 17.
Mr. Harry Sinclair, the oil magnate, whose trial began here on the 7th inst. has been found guilty of contempt of the Senate for refusing to answer our questions put to him by the Senate Public Lands Committee on March 22, 1924, during the Senate's investigation of the Teapot Dome naval oil lease. The penalty is imprisonment for not less than one month and not exceeding twelve months. It is almost certain that Mr. Sinclair will appeal.—Reuter's American Service.

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